# Shenington Church of England (VA) Primary School

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## Class 4 Curriculum Newsletter – Summer 2023

Dear Parents,

We are enjoying the new school term with the whole class in school in person. It is great to be teaching the whole class together this term.

The Team: Mrs Rennie, Miss Tilley and Mrs Rossenrode are experienced teaching assistants with us in Class 4 who will also be supporting me in the classroom, with interventions and groups as well as supporting one to one reading sessions during their working days. We are also delighted to continue with for some of the rest of the year Mrs Proger, a qualified teacher who is also supporting and developing some of our learning.

Just a reminder, that the children can go in to class from 8.35am and registration is at 8.55am. Please ensure your child is here at this time.

**Timetable** – All of the children will have a copy of our lesson timetables for this half term.

**P.E/Games** – We have access to coaches and PE sessions. Also, we are enjoying PE sessions with Jo at the moment. Swimming sessions for Year 5 this term and we hope to send Year 6 next term.

**Homework:**

Spellings – The system of brainstorming patterns for spellings to create words to learn at home is working really well. Thank you for your help and support with learning these. Please let us know if you think that your child may need a different list of words for any reason.

- Monday – language activities to completed by Wednesday.
- Tuesday – time to learn spellings for Monday's test using Look / Say / Cover / Write / Check. The children need to record this in their Homework Books and is due in on Wednesday.
- Wednesday – maths activity to be completed by Friday.
- Thursday – time to learn tables for the forthcoming tables activity on Friday.

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- Friday – topic or reading/comprehension task and reading diaries filled in with someone at home in the front of their reading diary.

In addition, the following may also be given, from time to time:

- Topic-related research.
- Science activities or SATS questions related to science.
- DT modelling.

**Homework Diaries**

The system of having homework diaries in school works really well. The diaries are needed in school each day. Please let us know any comments that you have or any difficulties that the children have encountered by writing notes in their Homework Task Books as they complete a task. Thank you for your helpful comments, these really help the children to become more organised.

**Reading Challenge**

As you know we introduced the Reading Challenge system, whereby we are asking every child in the class to read daily five days each week for 15 minutes and for you to initial the chart in the back of their reading diary. These are checked each week and periodically we give out on the spot rewards for children who are up to date with this. Already this is helping to further develop their reading skills.

**General**

Please do not hesitate to come and chat with me if you have any concerns. I always welcome any feedback.

The children have their targets for Literacy and Numeracy. We hope to resume the routine of sending them home on Fridays to be returned on Mondays when Covid restrictions allow. We look forward to you joining us at the forthcoming award assemblies, as your child achieves their certificates.

Thank you for supporting us in all that we are doing to develop the children's learning.

**Important Dates:**

SATs week for Year 6: 9th – 12th May 2023

Assessments for Year 5 will be across the last few weeks of this term

Residential: 26th – 30th June 2023

Cycling Proficiency: sessions for Year 6 will be arranged with staff who are trained.

With Warm Wishes,

Sarah