

Dear Parents and Children

Welcome back to the start of another new and exciting term. We hope you all have an enjoyable break and will be refreshed for the start of the busy lead up to Christmas.

During the second Autumn Term our focus is on History and in particular the development of castles since Norman times. In literacy we are writing information texts about Conwy Castle and spooky Tower of London stories. In maths we are focusing on multiplication and division. It would be extremely helpful if you practise times tables with your child every week, they should ideally know the 2,5,10,3,4, and 6 times tables well enough to answer any question without having to count through the table. E.g 'What is  $7 \times 3$ ?' ' $7 \times 3 = 21$ '.

I will include a curriculum overview within the homework files and also add it to my documents page on the Year Four page. Homework will normally go out on a Wednesday and should be returned no later than the following Monday. Homework will usually consist of spellings, a topic/literacy and a numeracy piece of homework. **It is assumed that children will read and practise their times tables regularly during the week too. These will be tested on a weekly basis.**

**In addition the Year Four page includes lots of internet links to sites that are appropriate for the children's age and I will update topic links as we use them. The literacy and numeracy websites are extremely helpful to support and consolidate your child's learning.**

I will hopefully add pictures regularly of events that happen within school to keep you updated and make you smile. Mrs Vernon Mrs Nixon and I are looking forward to working with you this year.

Finally, can I remind you that this term we have PE slots on Thursday and Friday. The children should have their full PE kit in school on these days.

Please do not hesitate to make an appointment to see the Year Four Team if you have any concerns.

Kind regards

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