

Primary 4/5 Newsletter

Dear Parent / Guardian

Welcome back to another busy term at Fernielea School – I hope you have had a relaxing and enjoyable summer. My name is Miss Bain and I am the class teacher for P4/5. Our Pupil Support Assistant for this year is Mrs Angus. We are very much looking forward to working with you and your child this year.

**Inter-Disciplinary Learning (IDL)**

Our first class focus this year will be a novel study of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. We will be looking at how chocolate is made and comparing different types of chocolate by looking at the packaging. We will also learn about fair trade, advertising, and designing packaging. To develop our understanding of authors and illustrators, we will research the lives and jobs of Roald Dahl and Quentin Blake.

**Numeracy, Maths and Language**

This term, we will be focusing on place value in Maths. We will also be developing mental math strategies to improve speed recall. (Learn Its for P4 and P5 can be found on the school website)

In Language, we will be developing our story writing skills with a focus on improving our level of connectives, openers and punctuation we use in our imaginative writing pieces.

**Reading and Communication**

****Reading will be set weekly. The reading diaries sent home each week can act as a communication link between school and home. Please check them regularly for notes or comments left by myself. If you have written a note for me, please let your child know to pass the reading diary to me at the start of the day.

**Homework**

 Homework will be handed out on a Monday and will be collected in on the Thursday morning every week. Homework will usually consist of a spelling activity and a maths task. Letters for homework club will be sent home shortly for this. If you or your child has any queries about the homework, just ask.

**Specialist Timetable**

Tuesday – Singing – Mr Thomson (P5s)

Tuesday – Swimming (P4s)

Thursday – STEAM (Science Technology Engineering Art Maths) – Miss Petrie

Friday – PE – Mrs Webster

The class will have PE twice a week so please ensure your child has a P.E kit in school all week. PE kits should be taken home on a Friday, washed and returned on the Monday.

We have an allocated slot in the Library on Thursdays.

**Clothing and Personal Belonging**

To avoid losing items of clothing and personal belongings, please write your child’s name on them. This will avoid any confusion and help us to return items if they are misplaced.

**Term 1 Dates for the Diary**

* Term 1 Parents Evening – 26th September 2019
* P4/5 Class Assembly – 11th October 2019

Please get in touch if you have any questions, queries or concerns, by writing a note or contacting the school office.

Kind regards,

Miss Bain