

# Year 3/4 Newsletter: Term 1



E-ACT The Kingfisher  
School

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2024

Dear Parents/Carers of Year 3/4 Children,

Welcome back to Term 1! Pine class have had a fantastic start to the term and have settled back into routines brilliantly. Really looking forward to a fantastic year of learning ahead!

## Spellings:

Sent home on a Friday and practised a minimum of 5 times over the week.

**Completed spelling sheets must be placed in the homework tray every Friday morning.**

## Reading:

Reading regularly at home, will improve your child's reading speed and comprehension. Please encourage your child to read regularly and talk to them about their reading to help them develop these crucial skills.

Children are expected to read a minimum of 3 times a week and recorded in their reading record on a weekly basis.

**Reading records must be in school every day regardless of whether your child has read or not.**

## P.E:

P.E will be on a **Monday and Wednesday afternoons**. Children will need to ensure they wear their P.E kit into school. Kits are white top and black jogging bottoms/shorts/leggings and appropriate footwear. **Year 4** children will also attend swimming lessons every **Wednesday** (starting Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September). Please make sure your child has appropriate swimwear and a towel or contact the school office if you need help with this.

Kind regards,

Katie Mercer

## English

We are really excited to be using a new curriculum this year with a love of reading fully at it's centre. We will be using core texts to inspire and develop our skills as writers.

**Core text:** 'The Sea Book' by Charlotte Milner

**Poetry:** "The Shell" by John Foster

**Non-fiction text:** 'Coming to England' by Floella Benjamin



## Mathematics

**Core Maths lessons** – We will start this year with our Number units: Place Value, followed by Addition and Subtraction in the second part of the term.

**Daily times table practise** – We will continue with our KFS times tables, starting with the 10 times table.

**Weekly times table test** – Each Friday, the class will complete their Cracking times table test.



## Wider Curriculum:

**Week 1 – 4:** Geography: Why is Britain so great? We will be looking at the countries that make up Great Britain and the human and physical features that make it unique.

**Week 5:** DT create a group structure to represent the city of Bristol (any junk modelling would be appreciated!)

**Week 6 – 8:** Physics: What is electricity and why is it so important in our lives?

## Key Dates:

11.09.24 – YEAR 4 ONLY- Swimming lessons start (continue every Wednesday).

