ST. STEPHEN'S JUNIOR SCHOOL

We Model What We Value

Year 4 Term 4 Newsletter

We hope that you have had a lovely week, and are looking forward to the term ahead. Please spend some time reading our Curriculum Overview which outlines the main focus this term in each subject. We have some exciting activities in store, including World Book Day and an Ancient Egyptians Day

Reading

Quality reading time is built into each school day, but we do also encourage all children to read each day at home, sharing this reading with an adult.

We have timetabled library slots so that children can change reading books regularly, and we ask that the children complete an AR quiz after each book where possible. Your child has their own username and password which they should already be using regularly, but please request on dojo if you need it again.

Spelling

Children will continue to be given a spelling list of 10 words each week on a Thursday, which they should practise in preparation for a spelling test the following week. Before we set these, we will have taught the words and practised them together in class. It is important that the children also practise these spellings at home throughout the week, checking their understanding of the meaning of the words.

Maths and Times Tables

As you know, in year 4, the children are expected to work towards a recall of all times tables facts up to 12x12. We teach times tables regularly, and the children will use Times Tables Rockstars in school to support their learning. Please do encourage them to use this site to continue their practise at home. https://ttrockstars.com Additionally, all children should have a login for Mathletics, https://www.mathletics.com/uk/ which will support all areas of maths learning.

Logins are in contact books but can be requested by dojo if your child has lost/forgotten it.

Equipment

A lot of learning time can be lost through not having the appropriate equipment available. Please can we ask that you ensure your child has the following each day:

Blue handwriting pen
Pencil
Glue stick
Sharpener
Purple pen

Purchases can be made at the school office.

Reminders

Finally, please ensure your child comes to school each day with a water bottle and coat. A **healthy snack** may be provided for break times.

Our **P.E days are Wednesdays and Thursdays**. Please send children into school in their P.E kits on these days.

The correct school uniform should be worn every day.

We are here to help, so please let us know if you have any concerns by chatting when you collect your child, sending a message via dojo, or by contacting the school office. We will always aim to return calls and answer queries as quickly as possible.