

# Lunsford Primary School



# Who's Who?



- \* Headteacher – Mr G Anscombe
- \* Deputy Headteacher – Mrs E Lomax
- \* Koala Class Teacher – Mrs Adams (Mon, Tues, Wed am)  
Mrs Lomax (Wed pm, Thursday, Friday)
- \* Koala Class Teaching Assistant – Mrs Jacobs
- \* SENCO – Mrs S Davies (Tues, Wed, Thurs)
- \* FLO – Mrs Katie Till
- \* Office Manager – Mrs K Mead
- \* Chair of Governors – Mrs Jacky Sharpe
- \* FOLS – led by Fiona Dalzell

# Welcome to Year 4!

We really want to work together with you as parents, to ensure all the children have the best year possible.

- \* As the year progresses, we are keen for the children to develop their independence, particularly in preparation for their transition to upper KS2.
- \* With this in mind, we have high expectations for both work and behaviour including:
  - \* Presentation of work
  - \* Positive attitude to learning
  - \* Concentration / being ready to learn each lesson
  - \* Working to full potential
  - \* Taking responsibility

# Our Topics

## \* Autumn Term

Geography - India

History – Egyptians

Science - Sound / Animals Including Humans

## \* Spring Term

Geography – Mountains

History – Anglo-Saxons

Science – States of Matter / Electricity

## \* Summer Term

History – WW2

Geography – Plastic Pollution

Science – Living Things

# Spellings

- \* In Year 4, we will be teaching spelling three times a week focusing on the Y3/4 word lists and spelling patterns from the National Curriculum.
- \* Further information will be sent out regarding spellings over the next few weeks

# Times Tables

- \* Quick recall of all times tables up to  $12 \times 12$  and the related division facts are vital for success in mathematics in Y4 and beyond.
- \* From 2021, the government is introducing a timed multiplication tables check for all Y4 pupils. This will take place in June 2021 and children will complete it online.

# Times Tables

- \* We will continue to use Times Table Rockstars  
<https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/teacher>

All children have an individual log in. These will be stuck inside their homework books and reading records.

Please encourage your child to access TT Rockstars at home as much as possible. Little and often is best!



# Reading

- \* This year, more than ever reading is so important.
- \* Please listen to your child (even if they are fluent) every night and record it in their record book. We will be using these everyday so they must be in school daily.
- \* Children will be read with 1:1 with an adult this term to assess their reading level and check their fluency and comprehension of what they have read.
- \* On a Wednesday evening please sign your Buster Book club bookmark with a record of how many minutes your child has read for. This is important as we have a weekly competition to see which class reads the most. We have won some fantastic prizes from the KM Charities team in the past as we have read the most in Kent! I wonder who will win?
- \* Try to encourage your child to read a variety of texts to help broaden their knowledge and experiences.



# Ongoing Homework

- \* Reading to an adult 5 x a week
- \* Times table practice
- \* Practise of spelling patterns and Y3/4 words

# Weekly Homework

- \* English (comprehension) or Maths (arithmetic)
- \* Homework will be sent home on a Thursday (starting 17/9) to be returned to school the following Tuesday.
- \* All the children will have their own homework book.
- \* We do not expect children to spend longer than 30 minutes on the task.
- \* If there are any problems, please encourage your child to speak to Mrs Adams, Mrs Lomax or Mrs Jacobs.

# PE

- \* **Mondays with Mr Dickinson**
- \* **Wednesdays with Mrs Adams**
- \* **Outdoor Games** Trainers (which might get muddy), PE t-shirt, shorts, jogging trousers, sun hat for summer, spare socks (for those wearing tights).
- \* Forest Schools will take place every three weeks.
- \* Please try to make sure your child has their kit in school at all times. These will stay in school until half-term. Earrings must be taken out and long hair tied back.
- \* Please make sure all items of PE kits and uniform are named.

# Assessment

- \* Ongoing informal assessments during the year for reading, writing and maths
- \* We assess the children regularly and also conduct Pupil Progress Meetings three times a year to ensure your child is on track to meet their targets.
- \* If you have any concerns about your child and their progress, please make an appointment to see Mrs Adams and Mrs Lomax / Mrs S Davies (SENCO)

# Online Safety

- \* Many Lunsford children regularly use the internet and social media and we have a duty to help them keep safe online.
- \* Users should be sixteen to use WhatsApp and thirteen to use Instagram, Snapchat, Twitter, Facebook, Skype and TikTok.
- \* Fortnite Battle Royale says users should be twelve + to play
- \* Although there is no age restriction for watching YouTube videos, users need to be thirteen to have their own YouTube account enabling them to subscribe to channels, like videos, post comments and add videos.

# Online Safety

- \* If your child does use social media, please help them to check their privacy settings, disable any chat settings and ensure they know how to block and report.
- \* [www.net-aware.org.uk](http://www.net-aware.org.uk) provides lots of up-to-date information for parents.
- \* Please let us know if there any issues regarding the online behaviour of Lunsford children at any time.
- \* We will always follow this up within school in line with our online safety, safeguarding, behaviour and acceptable use policies.

Please see Mrs Lomax if you have any other queries about online safety.

# Getting in Contact



At Lunsford, we have an open door policy. We want to work in partnership with parents and carers and strive to achieve the best for all children.

We ask that if you have any worries or questions regarding your child or a problem related to school, please do not hesitate to contact us so we can understand your concerns and help to solve any issues . If we do not know there is a problem, it is very difficult for us to help you or your child.

If you feel that an issue has not been dealt with appropriately, please speak to Mr Anscombe or Mrs Lomax, or we will happily provide you with a copy of the formal complaints procedures.



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If you would like to speak to a member of staff...

- \* Mrs Mead will forward on any emails and pass on any telephone messages.
- \* Mrs Adams and Mrs Lomax can be contacted via Class Dojo. Please message Mrs Adams (Mon-Wed) and Mrs Lomax (Thurs-Fri). Please be aware we are unable to view each other's messages. We will try to reply as soon as possible (within 24 hours during the week) but urgent messages should be sent via the office as we will not necessarily be able to access Dojo whilst we are teaching!
- \* A member of the Senior Leadership Team will also be available on the playground every morning and afternoon.
- \* Our Family Liaison Officer (FLO) Katie Till can be contacted on 07833584920.

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