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Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the new school year! We have had a fantastic first few days and we wanted to give you some more details about the year ahead, as well as some general class information.

#### Topics covered during the year:

##### **Autumn- Famous people**

This will include a topic on kings and queens and children will also explore a selection of famous artists, designers, musicians, architects and scientists.

##### **Spring- Food**

The main focus of this topic will be based on designing, making and evaluating food products, but will also link to geography and current affairs.

##### **Summer- Ancient Greeks**

This history based topic will look at life in ancient Greece and how their achievements influenced the western world.

#### Homework

Your child will be asked to complete work at home on a weekly basis.

- Maths - handed out each Tuesday and to be returned by the following Monday.
- English- handed out each Friday and to be returned by the following Wednesday. Also, to promote a love for reading, children will also be encouraged to read a variety of books (whole books) both within school and at home. Please note: children will not be required to zappers in Y4. But learning spellings may form part of the English homework.
- Topic – for each topic the children may be given a research task to complete.

As a school we firmly believe that homework should be enjoyable, relevant and reinforce learning. The school's homework policy is available to view on the school's website.

#### PE and Games

Y4A/S will have two PE sessions a week on a Monday and Friday. On these days your child needs to have the correct equipment in school. This includes: school coloured T-shirt with logo, shorts, trainers and a tracksuit or jogging bottoms/ sweater (when the weather becomes colder). Long hair needs to be tied back for PE and all jewellery needs to be removed. Stud earrings may be taped over for PE lessons if your child's ears are recently pierced. Plasters or tape needs to be brought from home to do this and your child needs to be able to cover their ears themselves. If your child is unable to do PE, a note from home is required. Please note that after February half term swimming lessons at Dronfield Sports Centre will replace Monday's PE lesson and this will continue until the summer holidays (a letter about swimming will be sent nearer the time).





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Seesaw

You will shortly receive another letter about the online learning journal 'Seesaw'. With the new GDPR regulations we need your permission to use this journal, after we have gained this we will send out the information about how to access your child's learning at home.

Child Protection and Safety

Just as a reminder we have a number of in-school mechanisms for encouraging children to feel comfortable to speak out about situations in which they feel unhappy or unsafe. Every classroom has a discrete method for children to inform an adult that they wish to have a conversation or share a concern. In Y4A/S this system is writing a message for the 'What's on your mind?' box.

If parents have a concern to share we encourage them to meet with the class teacher initially. A discussion will take place which will be recorded by the teacher and an agreement reached about whether the incident(s) are to be dealt with as inappropriate behaviour or bullying. If it is considered to be potential bullying it will be referred to the Head teacher. Any incidents referred to the Head teacher will be taken seriously and investigated thoroughly adhering to the procedures in the anti-bullying policy which can be found on the school's website.

Important Dates in Y4 A/S

Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> October	School photos
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> October and Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	Parents Evenings
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> March and Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents Evenings
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	Y4 swimming starts

Many thanks for your support.

Sarah Astley and Helen Scaife

