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Dear Parents/Carers,

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to Year 4.

A bit about me:

I have been teaching at St. John's for 2 years and I have been teaching for a total of 17 years! I trained in Manchester and began teaching in Stoke on Trent when I qualified. Before becoming a teacher, I was a Police Officer in Newcastle upon Tyne.

Here is some essential information that you need to know.

- When the children arrive, there will be work set for them to complete during registration. They need to be in school promptly so that we can start work on time.
- I also expect them to read in class and at home to extend their reading time. In Year 4, the children will need to be reading longer texts to extend their knowledge and increase their vocabulary acquisition.
- Please make sure that if your child has glasses, they bring them to school.
- We have a target of 25 minutes per day. All the children can achieve this target.
- Reading records also need to be signed daily by a parent or guardian. If a child's reading record is not signed for 3 nights in a row, you will receive a text.
- The school day finishes at 3.20pm. I will dismiss the children from the school yard. If I do not see you, please give me a wave.
- Swimming will be on Thursday afternoons, starting on 15th September 2022. The children will need trunks (non-baggy) or a one piece suit and a towel. Swimming caps will be provided. Please let me know if you have any concerns regarding swimming.
- Homework will be given out weekly on Fridays and is expected to be given in the following Thursday. This will be posted on PADLET. A text will be sent when the first homework is uploaded.
- PE is on a Thursday and Friday. This week, the children will need their normal PE kit for Thursday and Friday. Swimming will start next week.
- There is a statutory multiplication check in June. All the children will be required to know their multiplication facts up to 12x12. There will be a parent information session later in the term.
- I will provide the children with all the equipment they will need for the school day. If your child has a pencil case, I will ask them to put it in their tray and they can get it out as and when they need to.
- If you have any questions or concerns, please pop in or call and I will endeavour to speak to you as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Poynton.

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