



# St. John's CE Primary School

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## Welcome to Year 4!

Dear Parents/Carers,

The children have settled in to Year 4 fantastically and I'm looking forward to a fabulous year together!

A bit about me:

This will be my third year teaching at St. John's and I am so happy to have a job I love so much. I gained my teaching qualification at the University of Derby, having previously worked in supply chain and the printing industry. I also have a degree in physics from the University of Hull, where I graduated in 2017. In my free time I enjoy spending time with my family and friends, eating delicious food, watching movies (especially anything Marvel), and staying at home with my cat, Roger. I'm looking forward to getting to know the children and working together with parents and carers to ensure the children fulfil their potential.

Here is some essential information that you need for Year 4:

- The school day finishes at 3.30pm. I will dismiss children from the side of the school to their parents/carers, so if you need to tell me anything or want a quick chat you can find me there.
- Children should enter school, on their own, through the KS2 entry which can be found near the 'all weather pitch'. Messages for the teacher can either be delivered by your child, to the teacher on the gate or to the office.
- Homework will be given out weekly on a Friday and is expected to be given in the following Thursday. Homework will be put on padlet each week, you can find the link on the Year 5 page on the school website, the password is **ShineBright**. Children will be provided with a homework book that they can take to and from school if the homework is on a physical sheet.
- P.E. lessons will take place Thursday and Friday. Thursday's PE lesson will be swimming until the Christmas holidays. Please ensure P.E kits are labelled, and the children know where to find the label, should they need to identify their belongings.
- 'Reading should not be a chore but a gift'. Reading for at least 25 minutes per day with your child should continue in Year 4 and reading records signed daily by a parent or carer. Please send in the children's reading record and book each day.
- I have provided each child with a pencil case and all the stationary they need for the year. This pencil case will be kept on children's desks day to day. If your child has their own pencil case, they will be asked to keep this in their tray or locker and can get it out as and when they need to.
- The year 4 multiplication check will take place in June 2024, there is a separate letter on the Year 4 page which outlines the information in more detail.

If you have any questions, please pop in, or send me an email and I will try to get back to you as soon as possible. I'm looking forward to having a brilliant year with the children!

Yours sincerely,  
Mrs Oakden

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