

# Scotch Orchard Primary School

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## Welcome to Year 4!



I am thrilled to be teaching Year 4 next academic year. Returning to school after so many months may seem daunting at first, but I can promise you a very warm welcome with lots of fun, laughter and exciting adventures ahead - including swimming lessons and our Arts residential to Ingestre Hall! Our classroom will be the usual Year 4 classroom by the KS2 library and it will be ready and waiting for you.

Have a wonderful summer and I can't wait to see all of your smiling faces in September!  $MrsFord \nu$ 

## Preparing for September

We know that your child may be feeling anxious about returning to school this Autumn. Please be reassured that we will do everything we can to make their transition back to school as smooth as possible. While our daily routines may change, subject to government guidelines, we will be in touch with you before term starts with more details regarding school timetables and weekly routines.

#### Class Dojo

Class Dojo has proved a tremendous success during lockdown and we will continue to use it next year to keep in touch with our children and families. If you have not yet signed up, please contact: c.ford@scotchorchard.staffs.sch.uk



#### PE & Forest School Kit

PE lessons will take place twice a week, so please ensure your child is appropriately equipped for both indoor and outdoor sessions from the first week of term. Teachers will advise when Forest School kit is needed.

#### Indoor Kit:

Black pumps, navy/black shorts, white t-shirt

#### Outdoor Kit:

Outdoor trainers, navy/black tracksuit, white t-shirt **Forest School:** 

Waterproof coat; long sleeved top & trousers; wellies or old trainers; hat, scarf and gloves (colder months)

### Homework routines from September

From September, homework will consolidate essential **spelling** and **mathematics** skills. There will be an expectation that all children complete weekly fluency activities which focus on the rapid recall of key facts such as times tables and number bonds.

We will also have a continued emphasis on **reading for pleasure.** Being a competent reader is essential to being an effective learner as children consistently rely on their reading skills in order to access all areas of the curriculum. In order to promote all children to develop a love of reading, we will be expecting them to read to an adult at home at least three times a week and record this in their reading diary. Children will also be required to practise their Year 3/4 spellings.

#### School Uniform

**Boys:** White or pale blue shirt/polo shirt

Black, navy or grey trousers

Navy or grey jumper

Black, navy or grey tailored shorts (Summer)

Black or dark school shoes

**Girls:** White or pale blue blouse/polo shirt

Grey or navy skirt, trousers or pinafore

Navy or grey cardigan/jumper

Blue and white checked school dress (Summer)

Black or dark school shoes

Please ensure your child's uniform is clearly labelled.

#### School Leadership Team

Mrs Bishop Headteacher



Mrs Braybrooke Deptuty Headteacher



Miss Sturch



Mrs Tomlinson Year 1 Teacher



Mrs Ford Year 4 Teacher



