

# Welcome to Year 4



July 2020

Dear the new Year 4,

A very warm welcome to year 4! As we have been unable to meet with you in person before the end of this school year we wanted to write to let you know that we are really excited about working with you in September and the year ahead. We have lots of fantastic things planned for you.

Year 4 is very similar to Year 3 except you will have to walk a little bit further up the corridor to your new classrooms! 4A you will be in the first Year 4 classroom with Miss Doughty (Mon and Tues) and Mrs Pritchard (Weds, Thurs and Fri) and 4S you will be in the second Year 4 classroom with Mrs Screen. We will also have Mrs Sheppard supporting our learning in both classes.

Daily routines will be the same as Year 3 - you will enter and exit school the same way and break and lunch times will also be the same.

We will still continue to follow the school ethos of 'Working together to learn', alongside our life skills and KASE statements, to enable us to become experts in all aspects of our learning.

We plan to teach you through each of our topics, transferable skills for independent, life-long learning and through Science we will encourage your curiosity and the thrill of exploring new concepts. As you know, being avid readers helps to make brilliant writers so we will use your love of reading to help you further develop your written words.

One addition to Year 4 is that you will all attend swimming lessons throughout the year where we work at boosting your confidence and ability in the water. We know that many of you will have questions about this and whilst we are unsure when these lessons will begin due to current restrictions, please be reassured that we will make sure you have all the answers and information that you need before we head to the pool! This will be through class discussions and letters to parents nearer the time. One important thing you do need to know before September is that due to health and safety guidance you will not be allowed to swim with ear-rings in. Therefore, if you have pierced ears, or plan to have them pierced soon, please make sure they are healed before school returns so that you are able to independently take them out on lesson days.

We hope that you have a lovely summer holiday and that as lockdown gradually relaxes you are able to get out and about more and see your friends and family again. We look forward to

seeing you in September and hearing about all the wonderful things you get up to. In the meantime, to help us get to know you better, we have included an activity with this letter that we would like you to complete for September. We would like you to include as much information about yourselves, your likes/dislikes and summer adventures as possible to share with one another when we are together again.

Stay safe and see you in September!

Love from,

Miss Doughty, Mrs Pritchard, Mrs Screen and Mrs Sheppard



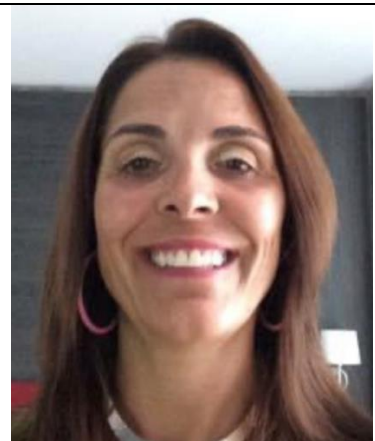
**Miss Doughty**

*Hi Year 4, most of you know me but for those who don't here is a little bit about myself. I am a Mummy of two boys and enjoy eating chocolate, playing Netball, swimming, and being in the outdoors. I especially love spending time with my friends and family. I am looking forward to seeing you all in September!*



**Mrs Pritchard**

*Hello, my name is Mrs Pritchard. I am very excited to be teaching lots of you again, after teaching you in Reception. I love creative learning and being outside. At home, I have a little boy and two tortoises called Tilly and Eric. My hobbies include swimming, walking and being in the garden. I am looking forward to seeing you soon.*



**Mrs Screen**

*Hello Year 4, just a little bit about myself- I love elephants, as you may see in my classroom! I really enjoy gardening, so we will be outdoors. I like animals and have a dog called Willow, she keeps me fit on my long walks with her and my family.*



**Mrs Sheppard**

*Hello! I love being a TA in Year 4 and can't wait to be a part of your learning journey next year. I love spending time with my family and socialising with friends. I am looking forward to meeting you all in September!*

