

**Waterbeach Community Primary School**  
**Year 4 Team Letter**  
**Summer Term 2024**



<b>Seals Class – Miss Hinton</b> 	<b>Whales Class – Miss Nottage</b> 
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**Exciting things the children will be learning in the summer term:**

**Summer 1:**  
**English:** Persuasion and poetry (couplets, sonnets, limericks)  
**Guided reading:** Class novels  
**Maths:** Fractions and decimals  
**Science:** Living things and their habitats (continued)  
**History:** The Golden Age  
**Art:** Tudor portraits  
**RE:** Pentecost  
**PSHE:** Managing risk  
**French:** Describing things and people  
**PE:** Athletics (outdoor) Curling and disability sports (indoor)  
**Computing:** Programming (repetition and games)

**Summer 2:**  
**English:** Script writing  
**Guided reading:** A variety of picture books  
**Maths:** Money and statistics  
**Science:** Sound  
**Geography:** The Americas  
**DT:** Sock puppets  
**RE:** 5 Pillars of Islam  
**PSHE:** Healthy lifestyles  
**French:** Expressing likes and saying what I and others do  
**PE:** Athletics and swimming  
**Computing:** Data and information (data logging)

In the second half term, the children will have the opportunity to take part in a ‘camp out’ on the school field, which will be filled with fun activities and will help them to build their resilience to help prepare them for residential trips in Year 5 and 6. More information about this event will be sent to you during the summer term.

Additionally, we will be continuing to have Forest School every other week, starting from Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April.

More information can be found by accessing the [Curriculum Captures on the school website.](#)

<p><b><u>Teacher PPA (Planning, Preparation &amp; Assessment) Time</u></b>          Miss Hinton and Miss Nottage have their PPA time on Thursday afternoons, which will be covered by Mrs Seymour and Ms Page. Miss Hinton will have her ECT time on alternate Thursday mornings, covered by Mrs Jenkinson.</p>	<p><b><u>SCHOOL DAY TIMINGS</u></b>          8:40 - Doors open and children make their way to their classroom.          8:55 – Registration, the doors will close, after this time, children will need to come to the office and be signed in.          12.30 – 1:15 – Lunchtime          3.15 – End of the school day</p>
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**If you would like your child to walk home on their own after school, then you will need to send written permission for them to do this.**

**PE**  
**Outdoor PE for all classes is on Tuesday and indoor PE is on Friday.**  
 Children should have a PE kit consisting of a house colour T-shirt without buttons, dark plain shorts, jogging bottoms, a jumper, and a change of shoes for outdoors. No jewellery should be worn during Physical

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Education lessons. It is also not safe to cover earrings / studs / sleepers with tape. If children wear earrings to school, they need to be able to remove them themselves for PE lessons. If your child is unable to do so, earrings should be removed before coming to school. We advise that if you are going to allow your child to have their ears pierced, that this is done at the start of the summer holidays so that their PE entitlement is not compromised. **It is also important that the children have their hair tied up on a PE day.**

We ask that all PE kits are kept in a drawstring bag and are left in school. We send home PE kits at the end of each half term for washing during holiday time. **PLEASE LABEL EVERYTHING!**

#### **BEHAVIOUR INFORMATION**

We are committed to providing a caring, friendly and safe environment for everyone so that we can all work together in a relaxed and secure atmosphere. We believe that we can do this by trying to keep the school rules.

We are gentle	We are honest	We are kind and helpful
We try our best	We listen	We look after property

For more details on our behaviour policy please see the school website – [About Us/School Policies](#)

#### **HOME LEARNING**

##### **Multiplication check**

In June 2024, all Year 4 children will take part in a multiplication check to test their times table fluency. Times tables are fundamental to maths success and thus is important that children leave Year 4 feeling confident with these. To give your child the best possible chance of passing this, please practise using Maths Frame, an online activity which mirrors the test children will take in June:

<https://mathsframe.co.uk/en/resources/resource/477/Multiplication-Tables-Check>

In addition to this, please encourage your child to read as much as possible. This could involve the children reading to you, independently, or you reading to them. The children also continue to have access to the Collins E-book programme.

#### **COMMUNICATION**

We aim to have open communication channels to keep you informed about everything that is going on in school and to give easy access to speak to us if needed.

If you have any worries or concerns, please contact your child's class teacher. Contacting us by email is always the best way as teachers are very busy before and after school, and if we know that you would like to meet with one of us, we can put some time aside on an evening when we don't have meetings. All the teachers' email addresses are provided for you below.

**Weekly letter** – Each Friday you will continue to receive a letter which gives information on things we have done and important dates.

**Website** – We hope the website is a good reference source, if there are things that you would like to see included, please let us know.

**Email** – you can send emails to your child's class teacher or team leader (Ms Innes). The protocol is that teachers will respond within 3 working days. If you need a more urgent response, then you can leave a message with the school office.

**Seals Class** – Miss Hinton – [ghinton@waterbeach.cambs.sch.uk](mailto:ghinton@waterbeach.cambs.sch.uk)

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**Appointments** – if you would like to arrange a meeting with your child's class teacher, please contact them via email to arrange a suitable time.

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**Summer Term Key Dates**

We aim to keep to these dates but occasionally due to circumstances beyond our control they may need to change.

<b>April</b>	
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April	Term opens for children
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> April	Class photos
<b>May</b>	
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 3 & 4 Tennis Festival
27 <sup>th</sup> May – 31 <sup>st</sup> May	Half Term
<b>June</b>	
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Training Day
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> June	Term opens for children
3 <sup>rd</sup> June – 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4 Multiplication Test Weeks
<b>July</b>	
TBC	Jump Up Days
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 4 Camp out
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	End of Term