Lydgate Junior School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Hello and a very warm welcome to Year 4.
We are really looking forward to getting to know you and your children over the coming months. It's going to be a positive year with lots of smiles and fun along the way.

We thought it would be useful to send you details of our key days and dates at the beginning of the year so that you know what to expect.

HOMEWORK

Your child will be coming home with a pink homework book towards the end of this week so please check bags! Homework is given out on **Friday** and due back the following week on a **Thursday**. We will set a nice easy task for the first week.

Over the next week or two, passwords for TTRockstars, MyMaths and Spelling Shed will be stuck in the front of the pink homework book as well. These are online resources that support our curriculum - we will practise with the children at school so that they know what to do at home!

We will also be building on the good foundation built in Y3 with x tables. We will be practising regularly in school and ask that you give a little time at home too. We will be sending home booklets to fill in, just like last year. These will be given out on homework days and marked in class.

SWIMMING

All Y4 children have the opportunity to have a block of 9 swimming lessons over the year. These take place at Mylnhurst pool on **Mondays** during the school day. **Bluebell class** are going to have the first swimming block until the middle of November. Further details to follow in a separate letter. We will let you know when it is your child's turn to swim.

PE

We are asking that children come to school dressed for PE, rather than in their school uniform, when it is their turn. This should be a school PE kit with their school sweatshirt or fleece if it's cold. Our days for outdoor games and indoor PE are detailed below. Please note that appropriate footwear should be worn for outdoor games - trainers or plimsolls please.

Bluebell class (Mrs Drury) – indoor PE Wednesday, outdoor games Monday

Violet class (Miss Staykovska) - indoor PE Thursday, outdoor games Wednesday

Daisy class (Ms Hayden/Mrs Ridsdale) - indoor PE Thursday, outdoor games Monday

Snowdrop class (Miss Lee) - indoor PE Wednesday, outdoor games Friday

OUTDOOR LEARNING

We also have regular outdoor learning sessions in our school woods. On these days, the children need to come to school dressed appropriately for the weather. Old clothes and trainers (or walking boots/wellies) are best as we tend to get quite dirty. Please be aware that we do go out in any weather so layers are a good idea and they will definitely need a coat.
Our outdoor learning day is **Wednesday** and class dates for the first term are as follows:

Bluebell and **Violet** - 16.9.26
30.9.26
14.10.26

4.11.26
25.11.26
9.12.26

Daisy and **Snowdrop** - 23.9.26
7.10.26
21.10.26

11.11.26
2.12.26
16.12.26

We will put this letter on the school website too just in case this one gets accidentally deleted!

If you have any further queries, please don't hesitate to get in touch. Thank you for your support.

With best wishes,

The Year 4 team