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ROSE GREEN JUNIOR SCHOOL

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Dear Year 4 Parents,

Year 4 Welcome Letter

We hope you had an enjoyable summer break. We are really looking forward to working with you and your children; we have planned an exciting year ahead! This letter contains some key details to help you and your child with the transition from Year 3 to Year 4.

To remind parents, the Year 4 teaching team consists of:

Class	Teacher
4MG	Mrs Kirsty Macdonald (kmacdonald@rosegreenjunior.co.uk) Year 4 Leader (Mon-Thu) **&** Mrs Amanda Gray (agray@rosegreenjunior.co.uk) (Thu & Fri)
4RC	Miss Rebecca Cummings (rcummings@rosegreenjunior.co,uk)
4KP	Mrs Karen Parle (kparle@rosegreenjunior.co.uk)

Communication is important to us and should you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to speak initially with your child's class teacher or via their email. It is much easier for teachers to talk to parents at the end of the day rather than the beginning.

Urgent information that needs to be given to teachers at the beginning of the day can be emailed to the school office (office@rosegreenjunior.co.uk). Although teachers do check their emails daily, this may not be until later in the school day. For this reason, please ensure any urgent information is communicated via the school office.

Informal Drop-in/Meet the Teacher

We would like to give an opportunity for parents to visit your child's classroom and meet your child's teacher on an informal basis. This will be immediately after school on Friday 4th September, 3:10-3.30pm.

Reading

Reading is a really important skill and supports all other areas of the curriculum, especially writing. We ask that your child reads at home every day, with an adult, ideally for 15 minutes, and that this is recorded in their Reading Diary. Please discuss the texts as you read and ask them questions so they can develop their comprehension. **Reading books and reading diaries should be in school every day**.

In the same way as in Year 3, we reward children with badges and certificates once they have completed a certain number of reads, in order to encourage reading aloud at home, to an adult.

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We will continue our school-wide reading programme called Accelerated Reader, which the children should be familiar with. Teachers will regularly monitor the children's reading choices (based on their personal ZPD/Book Level). Millionaire readers will continue to be rewarded in assemblies throughout the year.

Homework

At Rose Green Junior School, we believe that children should have an element of choice in what they do for their homework, alongside some specific maths or literacy tasks. Regular homework tasks might include consolidation activities to support our class learning using TTRockstars, online maths and a spelling, punctuation and grammar task. Homework will be **set on Friday** and will be **due in on the following Friday**. There will also be an extended task in the Spring term and Summer term, which will be completed over a half term.

Spellings

The children in Year 4 are taught spellings on a regular basis. All children will be given a list of spellings linked to the weekly spelling lesson. Every Friday, they will be given new spellings, recorded in their **spellings books**, so these need to be brought into school **every Friday**. The children will be tested on these ten words the following Friday. Daily, the children will have opportunities to practise their spellings in school. However, it is important that these spellings are also practised at home and we would like to ask for your support with this too.

Tables

Times tables are fundamental to your child's confidence, speed and general ability in maths. At the end of Year 4, children will take a statutory Multiplication Tables Check. This is an on-screen check consisting of twenty-five times table questions. On **Tuesday 22nd September, 3.15pm-3.45pm, there will be a workshop for parents to learn more about the MTC. Further details to follow.**

Times tables are taught daily, following our times tables progression, and the children will be tested regularly, on Fridays. Please encourage your child to practise using the online resource, Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS), which will be monitored by their class teachers each week. Other ways to learn and consolidate times tables knowledge can be found on our school website.

PE Kits are to be worn to school on PE days: **Tuesday** and **Friday**

- **No PE Kits to be worn during the first week of term in September**.
- PE kits to be worn from week beginning Monday 7th September.

We really appreciate your ongoing support. If you have questions or queries, please do not hesitate to either make an appointment with your class teacher, or pop in and see us; we are here to help!

We look forward to working with you and your child this year.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Macdonald

Mrs K Macdonald
Year 4 Leader

YEAR 4 TOPIC OVERVIEW 2026-2027

Term	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Topic	Brilliant Bodies	Where the Forest Meets the Sea	We Could be Heroes	The Wonderful World of Roald Dahl	Terrific Tudors	Where on Earth are we?
Other	Pizza making	Christmas production		First Aid workshop	Weald & Downland Living Museum *(cost involved)*	Locality visits/fieldwork skills Gravity Racer making