**Lower Junior Parent Pack**

Welcome to Lower Juniors. This year your child will be taught by Mrs Archer Dytch. Mrs Smith and Nathan (Ace Sports) will teach your child/children when I am on PPA. They will cover PE and 1 Decision. On Friday Gordon will take PE (PPA and PE will change throughout the year).

A comprehensive overview of our planning can be found on the school website. Units covered this year are as follows:

**Literacy**

Term 1: Settings, recount, suspense and action, persuasive adverts

Term 2: Dialogue, explanation, opening and endings, discussion.

Term 3: Description -people, places and objects, instructions, character, information.

**Numeracy**

Term 1: Place Value, Addition and Subtraction, Multiplication and Division A Measure and Area.

Term 2: Multiplication and Division B, Length and Perimeter, Fractions A, Mass and Capacity. Fraction B

Term 3: Time, Decimals Money, Shape, Position and direction Statistics.

**Science:** Term 1: Animal Nutrition and the Skeletal System

Term 2: Forces/ Magnets

Term 3: Plants/Light

**R.E:** Term 1: What does it mean to be a Christian in Britain today? / People of God: What is God like to follow?

Term 2: What kind of world did Jesus want? / Incarnation God.

Term 3: Sacred Places / What can we learn for inspiring people?

**Geography**: Term 1: One Planet Our World

Term 2: Rocks Relics and Rumbles (Volcanoes, Earthquakes and Tsunamis)

**History:** Term 1: Stone Age, Bronze Age Iron Age

Term 3: Emperors and Empires (Ancient Rome/ Life in Roman Britain)

**Art:** Term 1: Colour Theory/ Prehistoric Pots

Term2: Ammonite /People and Places

Term 3: Botanical weavers/ Mosaics

**D&T:** Term 1: Fresh Food, Good Food

Term 2: Functional and Fancy fabrics

Term 3: Tomb Builders

**Spanish:** I am learning Spanish/Animals/Presenting myself/At the café/I can/fruits

**ICT**: Online safety, coding, Spreadsheets, touch typing, Email, branching databases, presenting, powerpoint.

CLASS TIME TABLE: (*Sample Year 3/4)*

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| Monday | No Nonsense Spelling | Talk 4 Write | Maths | | L | PE | 1 Decision |
| Tuesday | Reading | Talk 4 Write | Maths | | U | History Art | |
| Wednesday | No Nonsense Spelling | Talk 4 Write | Maths | | N | Science Music | |
| Thursday | Reading | Talk 4 Write |  | Maths | C | Geography | Spanish |
| Friday | RE | PE |  | English/Maths | H | ICT | Achievement Assembly |

The timetable is flexible and will be changed when necessary.

HOMEWORK:

We will send work home weekly to support learning in class, for example a maths worksheet or topic research. The children should be encouraged to go on Purplemash (I may set a ‘2do’ for homework, especial for maths). Finally, we **strongly** encourage daily reading from a variety of sources and regular practise of spellings and times tables . **Year 4 children will be doing a National Times Table test in June.**

SPELLINGS:

We are following the ‘No Nonsense’ spelling scheme and this will be taught during SPaG lessons or during a specific timetabled slot, therefore we will send personalised spellings home if your child needs further support. However, we have included the statutory Yr3 and 4 spelling list in the Welcome pack for you to work through with your children at home. By the end of Yr4 the children are expected to have learnt the list (children may work from a different list if the class teacher feels this is more suitable).

WORK DIARY:

School diaries are needed in school EVERY day. We use them to record reading and other information we feel you may need to know. We ask you to fill in when your child has read, practiced spellings and times table and please sign to confirm. Teachers will check diaries on Fridays and will stamp to acknowledge your child’s hard work.

PE

For the Autumn term PE shall be indoors. Gymnastics on Monday and the Fundamentals/ Ball skills on Friday. This will change after Christmas and the Children will have outdoor PE. Appropriate clothing will be required for each session. For example: trainers and jogging bottoms and jumpers for outdoor and cold weather.

Take Care Tokens (House Points):

These are rewarded for either good behaviour or outstanding work. Integrity awards are given for those children who go beyond everyday expectations. These can be given by staff, parents both in and out of school. Please let Mr. Tomlinson know if you wish to nominate a child.

TRIPS:

Throughout the year the Lower Juniors will be attending day trips out of school. Parent help is always required for these trips to go ahead.

RESIDENTIALS:

Yr4 are going to Dukes Barn – 18th-20th June 2025

If you have any concerns or just wish to discuss your child’s progress, we are always happy to talk, but can we please ask that you make an appointment via the office. All emails must be sent to the office, and they will forward them on to us.

Thank you

Mrs. Archer Dytch and Miss Waghorn