



# Queensgate Foundation Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to school, we hope you are rested after the extra-long half term holidays. We enjoyed speaking to most of you about how your children have settled in and ways that you can help them continue to make progress at home. If you were unable to attend the parent consultations this week, please look out for an interim report in your child's book bag.

Our topic this half term is "Worldwide Friends" which will be an exploration of different countries around the world and will link to our first class book Around the World in 80 Days. We have attached a topic over view which gives more details about what your child will be learning.

PE days continue to be Wednesday and Thursday. It is vital that your child has a full, named, Queensgate PE kit in school on Monday which should be left in school all week. We are often flexible with PE and so your child needs to be ready always. In addition your child may bring in a track suit top and jogging bottoms which could be worn over their kit during the colder months. Also a pair of suitable sports trainers may be brought in. We have found in the past that a spare pair of socks is very useful for hygiene reasons, especially for girls in "tights season" for ease and speed of changing. Ear tape must be provided for any ear studs that cannot be removed and all long hair needs to be tied back to ensure health and safety expectations are met.

Homework will be issued every Friday to be returned by the following Thursday at the latest. Please check the homework grid that will be in your child's homework book. Additionally please ensure that your child reads 3 times a week at home- any extra is a bonus. Spellings should be practised weekly and by the end of Year 4 we expect all children to know all 12 times tables fluently- Times Tables Rock Stars and Topmarks games can help!

It is essential that your child is in school promptly. Attendance can affect children's academic performance. Even 5 minutes late has a huge impact. Year 4 children have morning activities which start at 8.40, these activities are designed to support their learning.

If you have any questions, or you need to inform us of anything happening outside of school which might affect how your child behaves in school, please do not hesitate to arrange an appointment with one of the Year 4 team.

Kindest regards,

Mrs. L. Merwood, Miss Hunter (Year 4 teachers)

Mrs. Wiper Miss Hume Mrs. Webb (Year 4 team)

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