Welcome to 4P! I am looking forward to a very enjoyable and productive year with the class. Here is some information, so you are aware of what is happening in the class.

**English**

We will be emphasising the Super Six Strategies for comprehension during all English lessons.

Stage 2 will be studying narrative and persuasive text structure. The class will be supported in this by Miss Garden, who will work with the children each Tuesday morning.

Literacy groups will occur 4 days a week, Mon –Thurs. A variety of literacy tasks will be undertaken during these sessions, including SRA and Blue Reading Box cards, guided reading, comprehension tasks and Literacy Circles.

Spelling activities will take place each day.

Our Library time is Monday at 10.25 and we have computers on Tuesday at 11.45. The focus for these sessions will be Mathletics and reading eggs.

**Maths**

The new maths syllabus will be introduced this year. We will focusing on specific areas for several weeks, starting with Whole Number and Addition and Subtraction.

We will also be undertaking a times tables challenge each day in order to develop an instantaneous recall of the times tables. A mentals text will be used in class and for homework.

You could help at home by reinforcing their knowledge and quizzing your child on the times tables.
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Science

The topic for this term is “Night and Day”. The children will be learning about the Earth and the moon and what causes night and day. These classes are taught by Mrs Clarke in the Science Room on Thursday after recess.

PE/Fitness

Stage 2 will participate in a skills based program each Wednesday after recess. This term we will be concentrating on activities to develop hand—eye coordination and ball skills, such as throwing and catching, kicking and trapping.

HSIE

The topic for this term is “People and their Beliefs”, which studies different world religions and the celebrations unique to various cultures.

Miss Stewart will be taking the class for these lessons, which take place on Thursday after lunch.

Absences

Just a reminder to notify the school, when your child is absent. This can be in the form of a note, an email, a message via Primary Parent Planner or a phone call to the school.

If your child is going to be absent for an extended period, please notify the school prior to the period of absence.

Thank you,
Ian Phillips