### Year 4



We've reached the end of our first full week back at school, and what a brilliant start it has been! This week we have been busy exploring the locations of rainforests in Geography, looking at the features of a recount in English and developing our understanding of place value in Maths. The children have shown great curiosity and enthusiasm in their learning and it has been wonderful to see them engaging so thoughtfully with each new topic.

- Games every Thursday for all of Year 4. Children to come into school wearing their PE kits on games days only.
- PE Owls every Tuesday Children should come into school wearing their school uniforms and will change into PE kit at school.
- PE Jays– every Wednesday. Children should come into school wearing their school uniforms and will change into PE kit at school.
- Please remove earrings on Games and PE days.
- Please name everything your child brings to school to ensure it can be returned to the correct person if it gets lost.
- Reminder: no pencil cases in school.
- Please provide your child with a named water bottle every day.
- If your child is having a school lunch, please remember to use the new **Impact Food App** to order your child's lunch the week before they attend school. This cannot be done in class or through the school office.
- Please provide your child with a named glue stick to use in class. Thank you.

Please note that PE for Jays next week will be on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> September.

#### <u>Homework</u>

Homework begins from today.

Spelling - You child has been given the following spellings to learn for next Friday. You can also practise these on Spelling Shed.

Accept

Except

Knot

Not

Peace

Piece

Plain

Plane

Weather

Whether

Times Table Rockstars – Children are expected to work in the 'garage' section for at least 21 minutes per week.

Accelerated Reading – Complete quizzes as and when your child has completed books. This should be roughly once per week.

Maths – We are no longer using Mathletics. Homework will be set using maths.co.uk. More information will be

#### Meet the Teacher

Meet the Teacher for Year 4 will be held on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> September in Jays Class at 3pm.

Many thanks for continuing to support your child's learning. If you have any questions or messages for your child's class teacher, please come and speak to us at the end of the day or email <a href="mailto:info@stpolycarps.surrey.sch.uk">info@stpolycarps.surrey.sch.uk</a>.

The Year 4 Team Mr Jacobs & Miss Vardy Please see below for guidance on reading in Key Stage Two

## Reading in Key Stage 2

### Handy Hints



- Make reading part of your daily routine.
- Short sessions 15 minutes per day.
- Continue to read out loud to an adult as well as independently.
- Try to read a range of books including fiction and non-fiction.
- Complete the Accelerated Reader quiz at home, ideally within 24-48 hours of finishing the book.

## How can parents help?

# Reading improves with practice.

Encourage your child to read at home, share your own books, discuss books, ask questions about the book they have read and visit the local library.

Check that your child is completing the reading quiz - this is part of their weekly homework.