Welcome to Year 4 Linden Class

Mr Cockcroft, Mrs Whitehead, Mrs Vaughn and Miss Legg

Mr Cockcroft

- I have been a teacher for 12 years
- I am the school French subject leader
- I work on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

I have one daughter, two chickens and four bicycles





Soft Start

- The classroom door will be open at 8.40am and then close at 8.50am
- If you are after this time, your child will need to go and sign in at the office
- Majority of children are all outside ready by 8.45!

Speaking to the Teacher

- Quick word at the door
- Please write a message in your child's planner or let the office know
- You can also send an email to the linden@grovejm.herts.sch.uk
- I like to talk on the phone if possible
- During the day send to admin so that I get a message in class

Attendance

- If your child is absent from school a written note is required upon their return in addition to phone calls that may have been made
- Once the bell has rung and the classroom door is closed please register your child at the school office
- Collection: collect your child from outside.
 Please let the office know of your collection
 arrangements for this year. If home time
 arrangements change please inform your
 child's teacher in writing or send an email to the
 office

Behaviour

- As in the rest of the school we expect all children to follow the behaviour code
- We aim to create a positive learning environment where certificates, stickers and house points may be given





Uniform

- Please ensure that your child wears the correct uniform in school.

 All items of uniform must be clearly labelled with your child's name including black school shoes. This is particularly important due to swimming!
- Long hair must be tied back using a colour co-ordinating hair band/bobble. Clip back long fringes. No large headbands please!
- PE kit is now worn on the days they have it (Thursday and Friday).
 Please note all jewellery should be removed, or micropore tape may be used to cover studs.
- Please provide your child with a painting shirt or apron to protect their clothes during art lessons
- Daily mile: comfortable shoes are essential

Medical

- Inhalers: Please ensure your child has an in date, named inhaler in school at all times. They are kept in a box in my cupboard.
- Epipens: Are kept in the classroom.
- Please ensure if your child wears glasses/hearing aid, they have them in school daily and that we know about them.
- Inform me/the office of any new medical conditions, changes or updates. This is vital particularly for swimming!

Equipment

- <u>Small</u> pencil cases are allowed that will fit in their tray! Items should be labelled with their name. Blue ink pens/handwriting pens not biros please.
- Please ensure your child brings in a named water bottle every day.
- Healthy snacks are allowed for break times – fresh fruit etc. NO NUTS!





Swimming





- We will be swimming January until July so more details to follow.
- Please ensure that all items are clearly labelled with your child's name, including towel, goggles, full swimming costume(girls), trunks (boys) and a swimming hat.
- Girls no tights and wear trousers in winter if possible!
- Tie long hair back in a single ponytail.
- Earrings must be removed
- Ensure we know about all medical conditions

Young Mariners – May/June next year so more details closer to the time.







Homework

- We set spelling homework on a Monday every week and test the following Monday through dictation. Spelling sentences to be handed in by Friday.
- Remember to write down your spellings to continue learning the spelling pattern over the weekend.
- Planners should be filled in three times a week and will be checked on a Thursday. Please use a blue/ black pen. Ideally read with your child 5-10 mins a day
- TTRS 10 minutes a day (Multiplication check next June)

 We are waiting to find out when we can use the Library again but the children are allowed to borrow books from my book corner.

Finally...

- Books donations
- Go for a walk without your phone

We are all looking forward to a fun and productive year!