



Morning Routines

All Year 4 children will be welcomed from 8.30 am each day at the classroom doors. They will unpack their bags and then find their seat. Each morning, the interactive whiteboard will outline the timetable for the day and also some Early Morning Work linked to their learning. This could be an English, Maths or Topic based activity. The children are expected to prepare themselves for the day by using the toilet before the register and also ensuring that their water bottle is filled up.

English

In Term 6, we shall be reading a beautiful and truly compelling novel entitled 'Varjak Paw' by S. F. Said. This story is about Mesopotamian Blue kitten who has never left home until his grandfather shares a way – a secret martial art for cats! Over the coming term, we shall create various descriptions, write balanced arguments and create our own biography. We shall continue to learn and revise key Year 4 SPAG objectives, like the use of apostrophes for plural possession and how to develop paragraphs, and will keep practising our dictionary and thesaurus skills too. As always, we will be using Drama and Art in the classroom to develop and support our writing further.

Maths

We teach Maths daily and all sessions begin with an arithmetic starter and are followed by a main session of learning. This term we will be focusing on and recapping learning in the following areas: Volume, Capacity, Length and Mass, Four Operations in the context of Measure, Geometry, Statistics and Time. There will be a focus on times tables, especially as children in Year 4 are expected to know all times tables (up to 12x) by the end of the year. Most areas of Maths depend on good times tables knowledge; please rehearse them with your

Home Learning and Blogs.

At least two 'Love to Learn' tasks will be sent home each term. These will be explained to the children and info will be uploaded onto the blog as well. Weekly spelling will be sent weekly via the blog too. Times tables should be practised at home and children are tested every Friday. Blog posts will keep you up to date with our classroom learning.

RAPS Curriculum

This term, we are exploring a unit entitled 'A World of Buildings'. Within this unit of learning, we shall learn about various iconic buildings around the world and shall compare houses here in Britain across different time periods. We shall also take part in various activities to help build understanding of structures, particularly structures for shelter. As always, the unit will begin with an Art to Start. Keep checking our blog to see our Topic learning.

Arts Curriculum

Through our Arts curriculum the children will focus on Music, Dance, Drama and Art. These subjects will be taught across the week in the afternoons.

Reading

It is our expectation at Ramsgate Arts Primary School that children read for at least 10 minutes every night. They might do this through Bug Club, a banded book or a free choice book. All teacher communication takes place through Bug Club online. Children are also heard reading throughout the week in class with an adult.

PE

Year 4 will have PE every Tuesday afternoon. Please ensure that they have a full kit including suitable footwear in school.

General

Sipping water throughout the day aids concentration and learning. Please provide your child with a water bottle which they may keep with them throughout the day. It is vital that pupils arrive at school on time and that absence is kept to a minimum. Frequent lateness and absences can have a huge negative impact on a child's learning so please try to have your child in school by 8.30 am every day.

Uniform

Our school uniform exists both for health and safety reasons and to develop a sense of pride and responsibility in being a member of the RAPS community. The uniform policy includes the expectation that all children will wear black school shoes (trainers are not acceptable footwear), that long hair should be tied back at all times and that with the exception of a watch and a pair of small stud earrings NO jewellery may be worn by children. We also ask you to remember that children should not be wearing make-up or nail varnish to school and hair styles should not be extreme - this includes unnatural hair colours. The school's uniform policy is listed online. Please ensure your child is dressed according to this policy and that all items of clothing are clearly named.