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Dear parents, carers and children,

We are very excited to welcome you back to school where we have lots of great learning planned for this Christmas term.

Our topic is 'Why do some earthquakes cause more damage than others?' Details of learning across all subjects can be seen on our topic overview, which is also available on our website.

Trips planned so far for this half term:

Winchester Science Museum on Wednesday 5th November

Please continue to support your child learning their times tables. The National Curriculum expectations state that by the end of Year 4 the children should know their times tables up to 12x12 and they will be carrying out the times table check in the summer term to monitor this. Regular practice on Times Tables Rockstars as well as times tables workbooks and games will help children learn them well. We will be monitoring practice on TTRS and children will be rewarded with certificates, badges and celebrations within the classroom.

Homework will consist of a maths arithmetic challenge and reading. Please encourage your child to read every day! Remember to sign the sheet in their homework diary so that they can earn their Reading Miles. Homework books will be checked every Monday morning. The homework will be set on Monday each week and will be due the following Monday. All children are expected to complete their homework. Homework will be stuck into their homework diaries and should be completed here, it will be marked on Monday mornings and any misconceptions the children have can be addressed during this time.

Year 4 PE days are Tuesday and Friday. A reminder that the children must have the correct PE kit in school: white t-shirt with school logo, navy blue shorts and trainers. Children with pierced ears will be asked to remove earrings: if they cannot, they should bring their own micropore tape with which to cover them. Our PE lessons will take place outside as much as possible so please provide your children with navy blue tracksuit bottoms, jumpers and waterproofs to avoid them getting cold. In the Spring term we will be taking the children swimming at Westgate Leisure Centre. More information will be sent out nearer the time.

As the children are no longer the youngest in the school we will be encouraging greater independence and higher levels of personal organisation. Please encourage your child to take responsibility for tasks such as checking they have their reading books each morning and ensuring that homework is completed on time.

The Year 4 Team - Mrs Kelly and Miss Alford.