Dear Parents/ Guardians,

It was lovely to meet you all at the parent's evenings this week, thank you for all of your support over the first half term. I have been delighted with how the children have settled in to Year 4 and their focus to complete some excellent pieces of work. We hope that you enjoyed looking through their books this week and can see the progression that they are all making.

This term is set to be another exciting and busy one. We will be continuing our topic focused on World War II and, using a thematic approach, will make links across English, history, geography and art. Linking into our topic, we will also be taking the children on a fabulous school trip to Bletchley Park on Friday 2nd November. This will be a fascinating day and will really bring our topic to life. We will be using the day as a stimulus for many activities in school including English and art. We will continue to run our Show and Tell sessions on Friday afternoons with topic related items. Thank you to all of those children who have shared their items already, they have been fascinating.

In maths this term we will be focusing on multiplication and division, extending understanding of formal written methods. We will continue to focus on rapid recall of multiplication tables. Thank you for all of your support at home with the children learning their times tables.

It remains extremely important that your child is reading regularly at home. Please ensure that your child has the opportunity to read a range of texts both independently as well as with an adult to encourage confidence, progression and most importantly, a love of reading. In addition to their school reading books, this term the children's class book is A Bear Called Paddington by Michael Bond. The pages that your child needs to read each week will be communicated on the homework sheets. Spellings will continue with a weekly spelling test each Thursday morning and the Spelling Bee termly test will take place on Thursday 13th December.

Our PE lessons will be on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons. Please ensure that your child has appropriate kit for indoor and outdoor P.E.

The Year 3 and 4 Christmas production will take place on Tuesday 11th December. More information will come out nearer the time along with information regarding costumes.

Thank you all for your support. We are looking forward to another busy and productive term in Year 4.

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