



7th January 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you had a restful Christmas break. Year 4 have come back to school brilliantly and are throwing themselves back into class with their wonderful, usual enthusiasm. Thank you so much for the kind gifts that we all received from you – we are all very appreciative of your generosity. Please see the attached Topic Web for details of our curriculum this term. Our topic for the term is 'The Victorians'. We will learn more about life in Victorian times and learn about some individuals and changes at this time.

P.E. days and Library

P.E. days continue to be on **Tuesday (indoors)** and **Wednesday (swimming)**. Please encourage your child to take responsibility for **bringing their PE kit** to school on those days, including bringing appropriate trainers for your child to run outside in as we continue our weekly mile run. Children should have coats in school every day as break / lunch times will be outside unless the rain is heavy. Please also ensure that your child has appropriate swimming kit – to include tight, pant style trunks for boys rather than swimming shorts, and a swimming hat. Hats are available from the office if needed. Library books can be renewed and exchanged at lunch times as soon as they are finished; in addition, we have our library time on Monday afternoons.

Homework

Homework will continue to be set on a Thursday, this should be completed by the following Wednesday. Each week, we will continue to set Doodlemaths extras and children are expected to read independently at home. Please encourage your child to remember and complete their homework independently. Do let me know if there are any problems with completing homework.

Punctuality

The school gate opens at 8.40am and the register is taken at 8.50am. Children arriving after register will be marked as late. Please continue to support children in developing an organised morning routine which allows them to arrive at school in time.

Diary Dates

Some dates for this term.

7 th January	Swimming restarts
16 th January	January reports out
21 st January	SEND parents meetings
27 th January	Victorian School workshop in class
30 th January	Skipping workshop
6 th February	Y4 sharing assembly (parents welcome)
10 th February	Safer Internet day
12 th February	Book look

We also have our Year 4 residential to look forward to in May at Hill End. If you haven't already booked your child's place, please do so as detailed in the letter sent out before Christmas.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions. I am available for a quick chat most days after school, or you can call the office to schedule a longer meeting if necessary.

Many thanks for your support,

Vicki Cooper