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Dear Year 4 Parents,

Welcome to Year 4! I hope you had a fantastic summer.

This year our teaching assistant will be Mrs Moss who joins our school. In the mornings, she will be hearing readers and setting new reading books as well as supporting children in the classroom. In the afternoons, she will be working with small groups helping children with English and Maths or their individual targets. Miss Smith will also be working with us, marking and setting the class their weekly spellings and working with small groups in the afternoon. Deacon Geoffrey will visit the class every Wednesday for our Big Question session. Other staff working with the children will be Mrs Ayles for Music, Mr Tuson for I.C.T, Mr Hobby for P.E and Mrs De La Fuente for Spanish. Mr Brown will work with the children on Thursday mornings.

Our topic for the first half term is Dogs. As you can see from the half term overview, many of the curriculum subjects will be covered through this theme. My own dog, Bertie, comes into school twice a week and has proved very popular with children. We will also have a visit from the Dog's Trust.

Every week, there will be English and Maths homework as well as spellings and times tables to learn. Homework will be set on Wednesday and be handed in the following Monday. This will either be based on what we have been covering in class or revising an area already covered.

Listening to your child read every day and discussing the text is hugely beneficial. In class, we work on reading fluently, retrieving information, commenting on the use of language and using inference skills, so daily practice will aid them enormously. Please record this reading in their journals.

I am really looking forward to this year and working with you and your children. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully,

Mr Dennis