

Year 4 Newsletter

Welcome back! We hope you have all enjoyed the holidays and are excited to be back in school to do lots of learning.

Summer term

This term we will be learning all about Contrasting Localities. We will be looking at the key human and physical features of Leeds and the Lake District. We will compare the two localities and investigate why tourists visit both every year. As part of this learning, we will look more closely at the features of Seacroft and will be going on a local walk to search for different features in our local environment. At the end of the term, we will be celebrating Spirit Alive and look forward to the different activities planned.

Home-school diaries

Please remember that all children should be using their home school diaries each week to record any learning they have done at home. These need to be brought into school each day as they may be used within lessons. Please record when your child has completed their reading, spellings and any other homework each week so we can celebrate this learning at school. If you can't find your diary, then a new diary can be purchased at the school office.

P.E.

Our P.E. days are: **Monday (in-school PE)** and **Wednesday (swimming)**

On Mondays, please send your child to school wearing a suitable P.E. kit. Most PE sessions will be outdoors this term so they will need suitable footwear and clothing. Children should not wear crop tops or footwear that is not suitable for sporting activities e.g. flip flops. On P.E. days we ask that earrings are removed if possible.

Wednesdays will be swimming – Please ensure your child brings their swimming kit and towel with them every week.

Water bottles

Please send your child to school with a named water bottle every day. Their bottles must only have water in them to drink during the day.

Homework

Spellings will be sent home every Monday to learn at home for a test in school. Please help your child to practise these everyday using the spelling sheets. Maths homework will be sent home on Mondays and will be expected to be returned completed by the following Monday. We also encourage children to read at least three

times a week at home. Reading books are available to children in school to take home to read.

Year 4 - Useful Home Learning Websites

Use the websites listed below, as you like, to support home learning:

TSU:

In Summer Term, we will be learning all about the Lake District in our TSU lessons. This will include sewing, painting, geography of rivers and mountains and learning about key historical figures of the Lake District.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/zbr9wmn> BBC bitesize has lots of interactive quizzes, videos to watch and information to read.

www.world-geography-games.com World Geography Games has many interactive games and quizzes to test students on their geographical knowledge.

Please also see our home learning grids (available on class pages and in home learning diaries) for more science and TSU home learning ideas!

English:

In Summer term, Year 4 will be studying adverts, persuasive writing and adventure stories in our English lessons. In guided reading, we will also be reading poetry, newspaper reports and a selection of fiction texts.

[Audible UK | Free Audiobook with 30-Day Trial](#) Free audiobooks available for children!

<https://www.spellingshed.com/en-gb/> Each Beechwood Pupil has a Spelling Shed account!

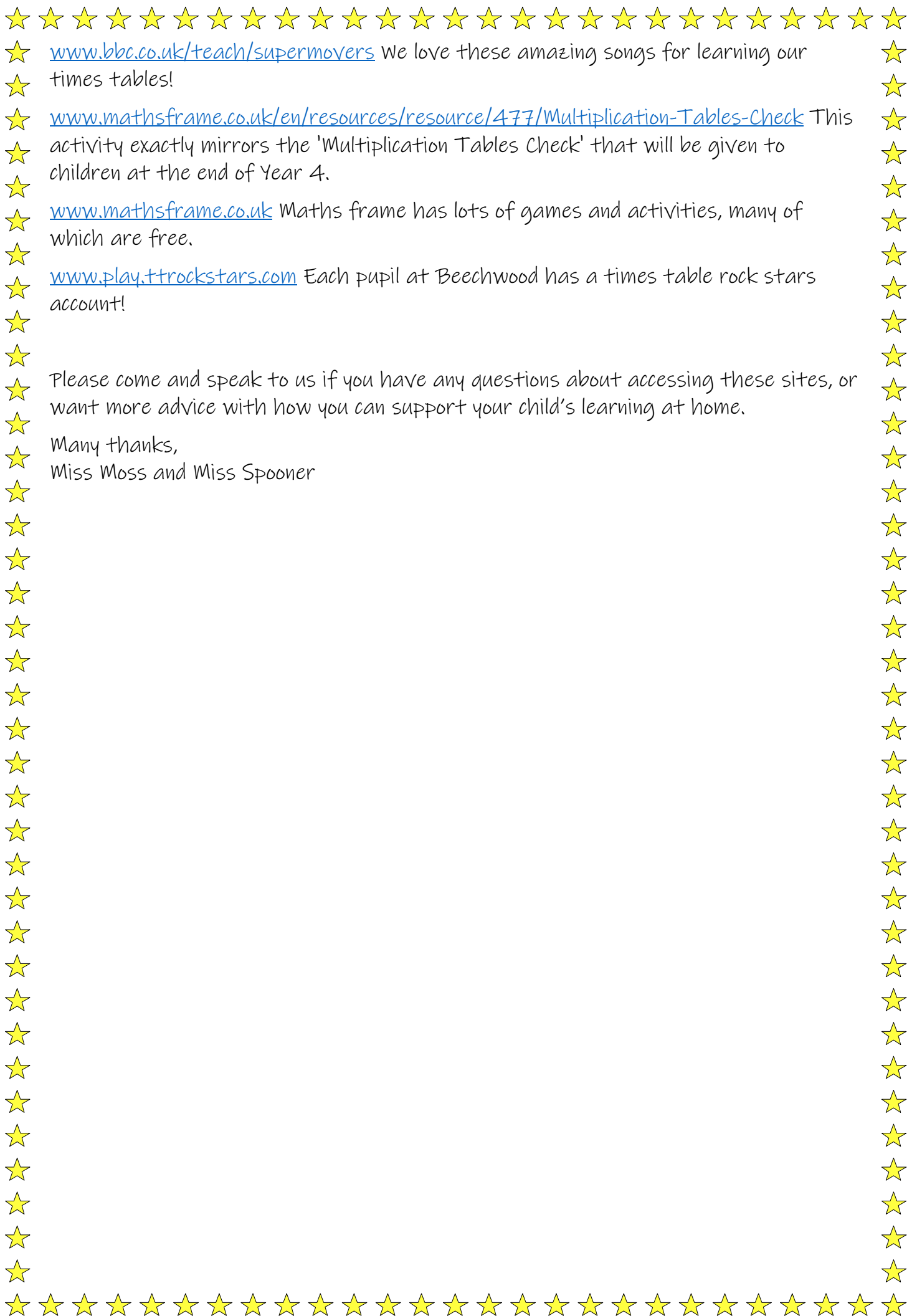
www.onceuponapicture.co.uk Once upon a picture has many pictures to inspire children to write their own stories, setting descriptions and more.

Maths:

In Summer Term, Year 4 will sit their statutory multiplication check. It is really important that pupils feel confident in their recall of multiplication facts up to 12x12.

www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/5-7-years/counting Top marks has lots of free counting games available.

www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button Hit the Button is an interactive maths game with quick fire questions on number bonds, times tables, doubling and halving, multiples, division facts and square numbers.



www.bbc.co.uk/teach/supermovers We love these amazing songs for learning our times tables!

www.mathsframe.co.uk/en/resources/resource/477/Multiplication-Tables-Check This activity exactly mirrors the 'Multiplication Tables Check' that will be given to children at the end of Year 4.

www.mathsframe.co.uk Maths frame has lots of games and activities, many of which are free.

www.play.ttrockstars.com Each pupil at Beechwood has a times table rock stars account!

Please come and speak to us if you have any questions about accessing these sites, or want more advice with how you can support your child's learning at home.

Many thanks,
Miss Moss and Miss Spooner