



Meet the teacher Year 4



Miss Brown
(Mrs Wilson in September)

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Communication

Year 4 communication will be via the following:

- Parentmail
- Class email address-
- Year4@st-patricksrc.notts.sch.uk
- School Website-
- <https://www.st-patricksrc.notts.sch.uk/>



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Topics covered in Year 4



History

Ancient Egyptians
Roman Britain
Crime & Punishment

Science

What's that sound?
Looking at states
Power it up

Geography

The Americas
Rivers & the water cycle
Earthquakes &
volcanoes

Living things
Teeth & eating
The big build



Attendance and Punctuality

Our attendance target for all students is
97% and above.



We will encourage good attendance by:

- Creating a positive environment where children feel safe and secure
- Making our Academy a lively, rewarding and interesting place to be.
- Ensuring careful monitoring of attendance data regularly
- Reminding parents/carers of their responsibilities.
- Working with parents/carers who's children may be experiencing difficulty in attending the Academy.
- Liaise with outside agencies where necessary regarding attendance issues.

If you are late:

School is open from 8:30am for early morning work. Registers are taken at 8:40am. Your child should be in school by 8:40am in order to prepare for the school day. If your child is late you will need to take them to the main entrance so that a reason for lateness can be given to a member of staff.

Monitoring Attendance & Concerns

We have a legal requirement to monitor children's attendance at school. If your child's attendance becomes a cause for concern we will contact you by letter, or telephone to arrange a meeting between home and school.



From September 2015, the government classifies any child whose attendance is under 90% as 'persistently absent' and encourages the involvement of outside agencies such as Targeted Support, Social Care and/or the school nurse (in cases of ongoing medical problems).

Legal Action

Legal proceedings may be taken by the Academy or Local Authority against parents where young people have a high level of unauthorised absence. This may be in the form of:

- Legal action through a Magistrates Court in accordance with the Education Act 1996
- Fixed Penalty Notices (see separate booklet).



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Behaviour expectations and rewards

St. Patrick's Golden Rules:

We are gentle
We don't hurt others

We are kind and helpful
We don't hurt anybody's feelings

We listen
We don't interrupt

We are honest
We don't cover up the truth

We work hard
We don't waste our own or others' time

We look after property
We don't waste or damage things



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Behaviour expectations and rewards

When we follow these rules, we are able to:

- receive Dojo points
- receive stickers
- have a praise message sent home
- choose a treat from our rewards catalogue
- sit at the golden table in the dining room
- receive a Celebration Assembly certificate
- participate in Golden Time activities
- participate in school events, competitions, trips, residential, after-school clubs
- represent school in outside events



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Behaviour expectations and rewards



We do not accept or tolerate:

Negative behaviour:

- being disorganised
- off-task talking
- shouting out of turn
- walking around the classroom
- deliberate time wasting
- poor concentration
- a poor effort towards learning

- swinging on chairs
- a refusal to co-operate
- disruption to lessons
- answering back
- rudeness
- using school resources, equipment or environment inappropriately

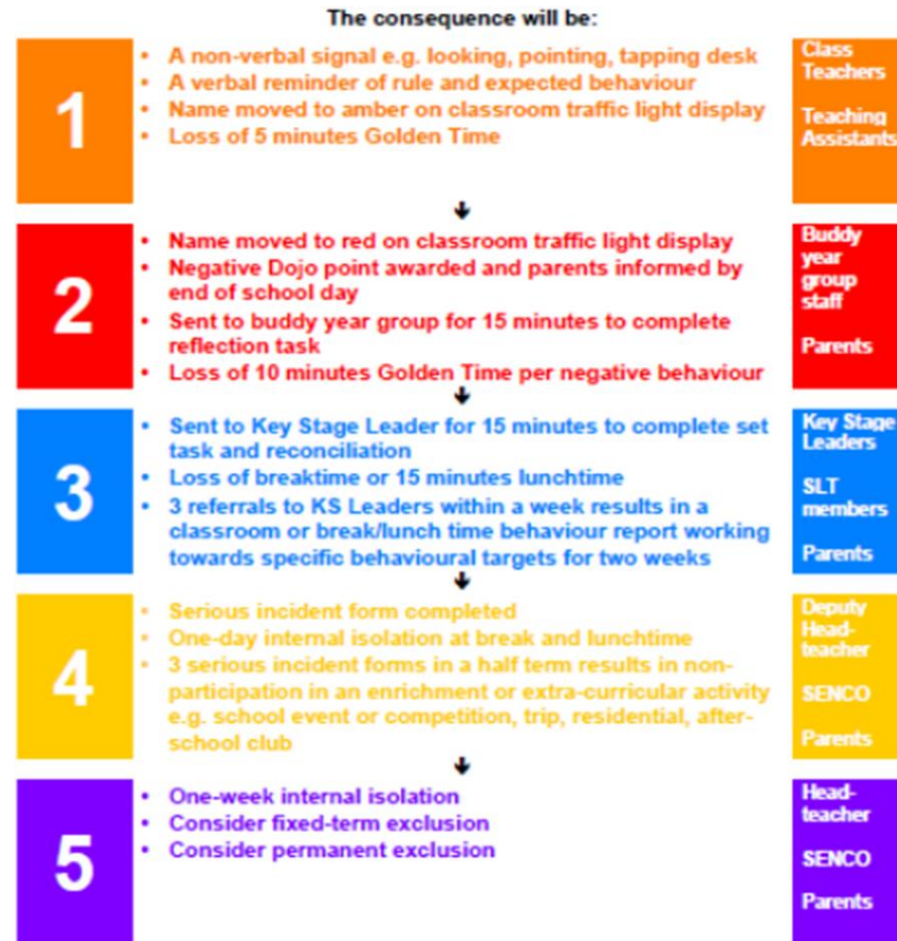
Serious incidents:

- physical violence
- stealing
- bullying
- damage to property
- disrespect towards adults
- dishonesty
- swearing
- discriminatory insults

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Reading books- accelerated reader and STAR assessments

- Accelerated reader is a computer program that helps teachers and librarians manage and monitor children's independent reading practice. Your child picks a book at his own level and reads it at his own pace. When finished, your child takes a short quiz on the computer. (Passing the quiz is an indication that your child understood what was read.) Accelerated Reader gives children, teachers, and librarians feedback based on the quiz results, which the teacher then uses to help your child set goals and direct ongoing reading practice.
- Children using Accelerated Reader choose their own books to read, rather than having one assigned to them. This makes reading a much more enjoyable experience as they can choose books that are interesting to them.
- Teachers and librarians help your child choose books at an appropriate readability level that are challenging without being frustrating, ensuring that your child can pass the quiz and experience success.
- If your child does not do well on the quiz, the teacher or librarian may help your child:
 - Choose another book that is more appropriate.
 - Ask more probing questions as your child reads and before your child takes a quiz.
 - Pair your child with another student, or even have the book read to your child.
- In most cases, children really enjoy taking the quizzes. Since they're reading books at their reading and interest levels, they are likely to be successful. This is satisfying for most children. Best of all, they learn and grow at their own pace.



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Reading books- accelerated reader and STAR assessments

Star Reading is a computerized reading assessment that uses computer-adaptive technology. Questions continually adjust to your child's responses. If the child's response is correct, the difficulty level is increased. If the child misses a question, the difficulty level is reduced. The test uses multiple-choice questions and takes approximately 15 minutes



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STAR Maths assessment

Star Assessments are short tests that provide teachers with learning data. Star tests are computer adaptive, which means they adjust to each answer your child provides. This helps teachers get the best data to help your child in the shortest amount of testing time (about one-third of the time other tests take).

Your child may take a Star test for early literacy, math, reading, or other subjects of their teacher's choice



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Year 4 Multiplication Check

- The purpose of the MTC is to determine whether Y4 pupils can recall their multiplication tables fluently.
 - It will be taken by children in Y4, in the summer term.
 - Children will be tested using an on-line screen check, where they will have to answer multiplication questions against the clock.
 - The test will last no longer than 5 minutes.
 - Children will have 6 seconds to answer each question in a series of 25.
 - Questions will be selected from the 121 number facts that make up the multiplication tables 2 to 12, with a particular focus on the 6, 7, 8, 9 and 12 times tables.
- CGP books- please purchase through parentmail



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Any questions



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