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Dear Parents/Guardians

We have almost reached the end of the scholastic year, and what a year it has been. In spite of all the challenges, those of you who co-operated wholeheartedly with the school know that we have tried our utmost to make this a memorable experience for our students.

School will be out on 24 June 2021. In September, children will embark on a new experience in Year 4 and we need to build on what have achieved so far. In one way or another, before the start of the new scholastic year, we will hold a meeting with you. More details will follow closer to the beginning of term.

In the meantime, we are sending you 2 lists.

The first is a list of basic items that the children will need in Year 4. As always, this list is not complete and teachers will add to the list when we actually start school in September. However, this list can help you with budgeting and planning.

- 5 copybooks (wide lines)
- 1 square copybook (1cm)
- Foolscaps (2 holes)
- 2 red flat files, 2 blue flat files, 1 green flat file, 1 pink flat file
- Sketch pad, black marker
- Pencil case, 2 blue pens, 1 green pen, pencil, rubber, sharpener, long and short ruler (transparent)
- Glue stick, colours, scissors
- Mini whiteboard or 1 A4 laminated sheet of paper
- Whiteboard marker, duster
- Yellow highlighter
- 2 sheets label
- Tissues and wet wipes
- White button folder
- Orange folder
- Name Tag

During the scholastic year, the children will also need other items to include the school diary and photocopy booklets. The price for these items is approximately €30.

The second list is by far much more important. This is a list of things that children need to have mastered before the beginning of year 4. Usually, by the time children

start Year 4, parents realise that their children will soon be sitting for exams. If you want your children to do well in exams, then make sure that during the summer months they continue to work regularly. The items on this list will ensure that the children start Year 4 on the right footing. There is no point in making up excuses – children need to study. If need be, children need to study every day until they have mastered certain concepts. Children study by saying, explaining, writing until they have actually mastered whatever it is that they are trying to learn. Children are expected to:

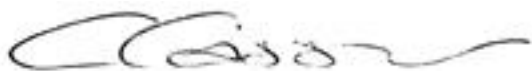
- Know how to write their name and surname.
- Know their address and important phone numbers by heart.
- Know how to write letters and numbers clearly.
- Know how to use the scissors for cutting.
- The 2, 3, 5 and 10 times tables.
- Know the pairs of numbers that make 10 (example: 3 and 7).
- Know what number comes before or after a number.
- Know the numbers from 1 to 100, forward and backwards.
- Know how to tell the time. (o'clock and half past).
- Know how to write the days of the week, months and seasons in both Maltese and English.
- Know what is a noun, verb and adjective in both Maltese and English.
- Know how to use punctuation when writing a sentence (capital letters, full stops etc).

At the beginning of the new scholastic year, children will be assessed in terms of the above.

During the summer, we also invite all children to take part in the Summer Activity Challenge for 2021. Details will be available on the school website in the coming days. The website is – [smc.zabbarb.skola.edu.mt](http://smc.zabbarb.skola.edu.mt). We also encourage you to check the website regularly for updates. You can also follow us on Facebook.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your trust and co-operation over the past months. Your support means a lot.

Regards



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Head of School