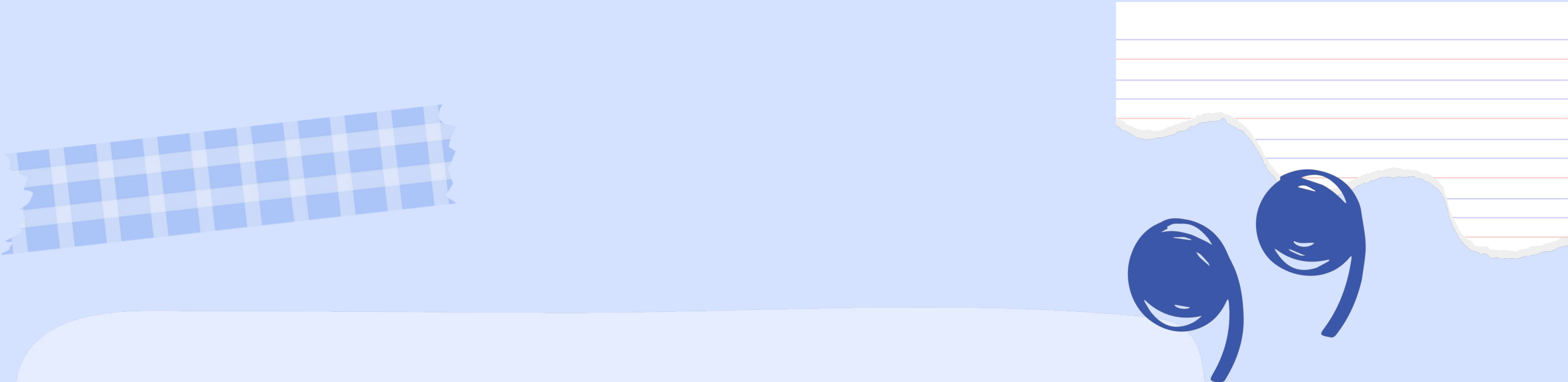




Welcome to Year 4

Meet the teacher

St Bernadette 2025-2026



A little about me

I am a mother of two and I am very patient, and I am quite passionate in the work I do with all my learners. This year will be my 20th year of teaching and in all these years I have learnt so much from my learners and I have discovered that learning never ends. I am currently studying a Masters program in Education with SEND and I have worked in both mainstream and specialist settings throughout my teaching career.





Meet the team

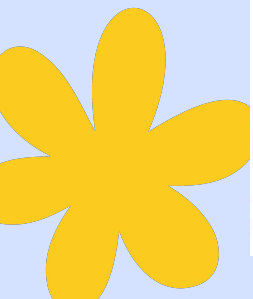
Teachers – Mrs Chingombe and Mrs Probert
SEN Support – Mrs Fitzgerald (AM) and Miss Darker (PM)
PPA Cover -- Ms Bell

Ms Bell will cover PPA on Thursday mornings up to lunch time and she will be teaching the learners during this time.



Our learning Timetable

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:45 - 9:00	Register / daily reading and daily Worship				
9:00 - 9:15	Assembly	RSHE	Collective worship	Handwriting	Assembly - Praise
9.15 - 10.30	Maths	Maths	RE Lesson - 1hr 15	maths	Spelling and handwriting
10.30 - 10.45	Breaktime				
10.45 - 11.15	Guided Reading	Music	Guided Reading	Guided Reading	Guided Reading
11.05 - 12.15	Literacy	Literacy	Maths	Art / DT	Free write
Daily worship					
12.15 -13.15	Lunchtime and hand washing				
13.15 - 14.00	R.E	history	Literacy	Literacy	Science
14.00 -15.00	P.E	Computing Library slot	History	P.E	Science French
15.00 - 15.15	Story & Daily worship				



Maths in year 4

It is important by the end of the year 4 that your child is confident with the following:

- ❖ Multiplication facts up to 12×12 .
- ❖ Working with numbers up to 10,000.
- ❖ Dividing larger numbers for example dividing 3 digits by 1 digit.
- ❖ Fractions - improper fractions, mixed number fractions and equivalent fractions.
- ❖ Time - try and encourage telling the time using an analogue clock as much as possible outside of school.

Purple mash, top marks, TTRS and other platforms will provide excellent support with all of things mentioned above.





Writing in year 4

There are certain aspects of your child's writing that they will need to be confident with by the end of year 4 to meet the expected standards of a year 4 child. These include:

- Using speech correctly and ensuring this is correctly punctuated.
- Developing the use of vocabulary in all written work. I will be encouraging the use of a thesaurus and chrome books in writing lessons to support this.
- Using conjunctions, adverbs, prepositions and pronouns in writing.
- Using past and present tense correctly.
- Consistent use of punctuation taught prior to year 4.
- Accurate spelling of the year 3 and 4 statutory words. (I will upload these on to google classroom)
- Neat handwriting - I have already noticed some excellent handwriting in this class and look forward to awarding pen licenses this year.



Reading in year 4

When you are reading with your child at home, please ensure you are signing their reading record, and this is coming into school daily. As part of the weekly homework, I will be checking reading records every week. We will change reading books for those who require one on a weekly basis.

It is important that your child has a secure understanding of the text they are reading. You can assess this by asking the following questions:

How did....?

Why did....?

What words tell us...?

How do you know...?

How has the author created the feeling of...?

Please make a note of any new vocabulary that your child has encountered in their reading record when you are commenting.

100 Books to Read Before You Leave St B Challenge

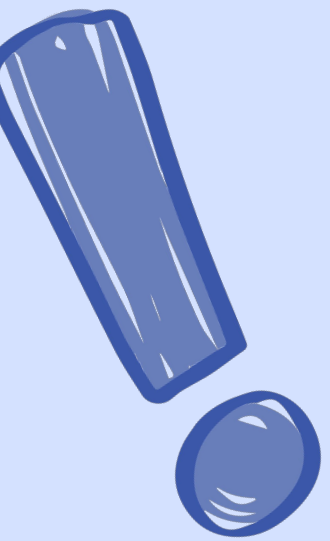
In the school office area, there is a large display, showcasing the 100 books. The idea is that the children should strive to read all 100 books before they leave Year 6, and there are awards for reaching the milestones of: 25 books, 50 books, 75 books, and 100 books.

You can support your child in the challenge by:

- Talking to them about the challenge and encouraging them to read as many books as possible.
- Supporting them to complete the book reviews if they need help.
- Taking them to the local library or book shop to find some of the books on the list to read.

Any book reviews completed must be returned to their folder which is kept in school.

We are always very grateful for any donations of copies of these books, and we have an Amazon wishlist that I will share the link for on Google Classroom.



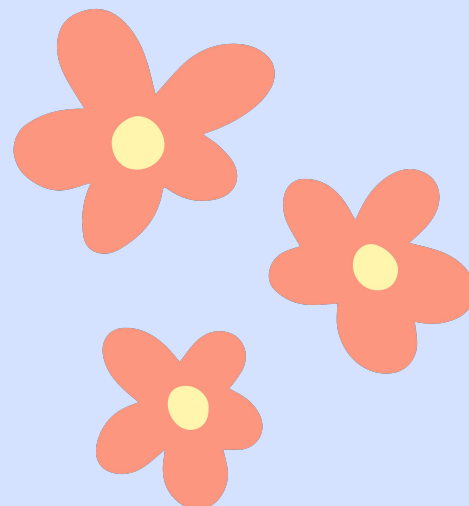
MTC – Multiplication tables check

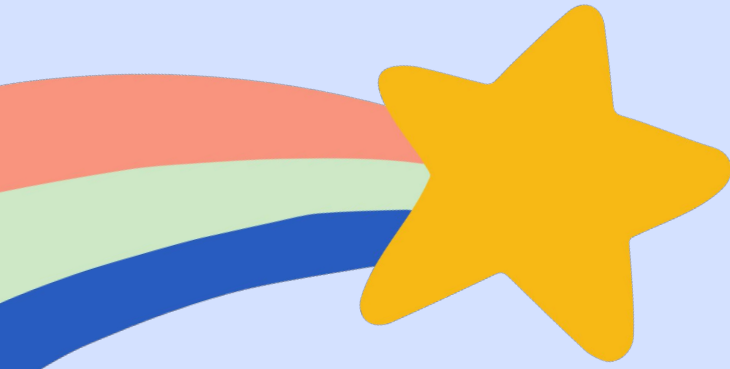
At the end of year 4, every child will sit an official times tables test. This is an online test where the children will have to answer 25 multiplication questions and will have 6 seconds to answer each question. The 25 questions will be randomly generated.

Throughout the year we will be working hard to ensure that the class are ready to take this test. We have started doing 10 random questions every morning before we begin any lessons. We will continue with five-minute frenzy in year 4 and we will do this every Friday.

At home, please encourage your children to spend time on TTRS. Certificates will be awarded weekly and these will be given to the children based on effort, progress and accuracy.

Links will be uploaded on to google classroom where your child can practice their times tables using the same format as an MTC.



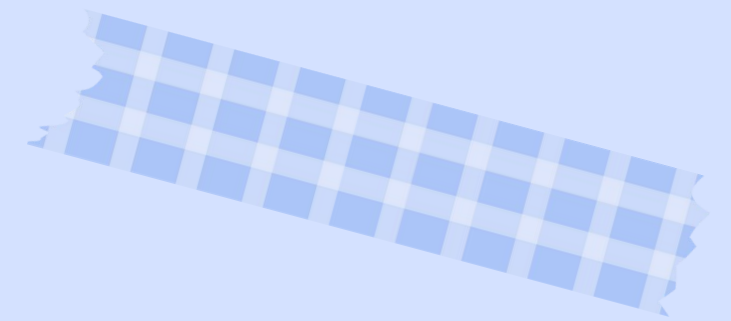


PE Days

Please ensure your child has a full named PE kit in School. These will be sent home at the end of each half term

Our PE days are Mondays and Thursdays.

In the Spring term we will go swimming every week.



Google classroom - Homework



All homework will be uploaded on Google Classroom every Friday as follows;

Reading 3 times a week

TTRS at least once weekly

Watch the pre-learning video that will be uploaded at the beginning of each topic. (If the unit is a 3-week unit, this video will be a method that we will use for all 3 weeks, and a new video will be uploaded when we begin a new topic).

Spelling Shed once weekly.

Every half term there will be a writing task set for homework which we would like the children to complete. This homework will then be stuck into books or onto a display so please ensuring it is completed to a good standard.



TRIPS

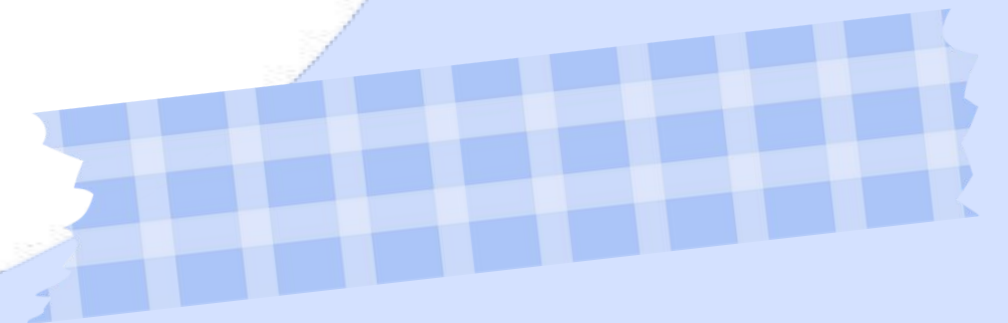


This year in year 4 the school trips will be as followed:

Autumn Term - Hudnall Park

Spring Term - Natural History Museum

Summer Term - Hindu Temple



Contact

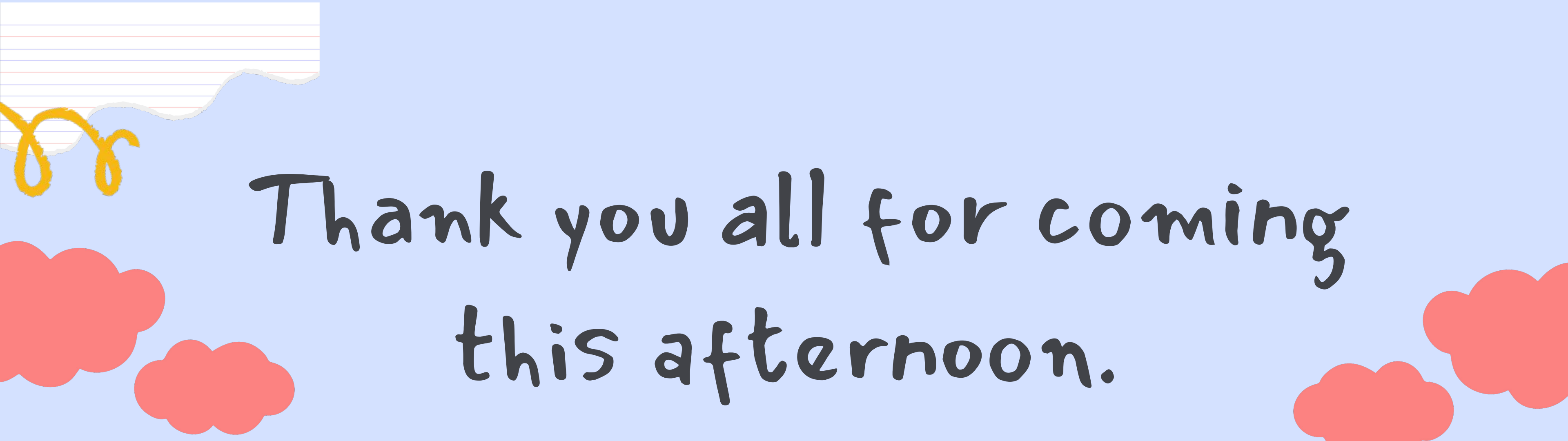


If you have any concerns that you wish to discuss throughout the year, please contact the school office on:

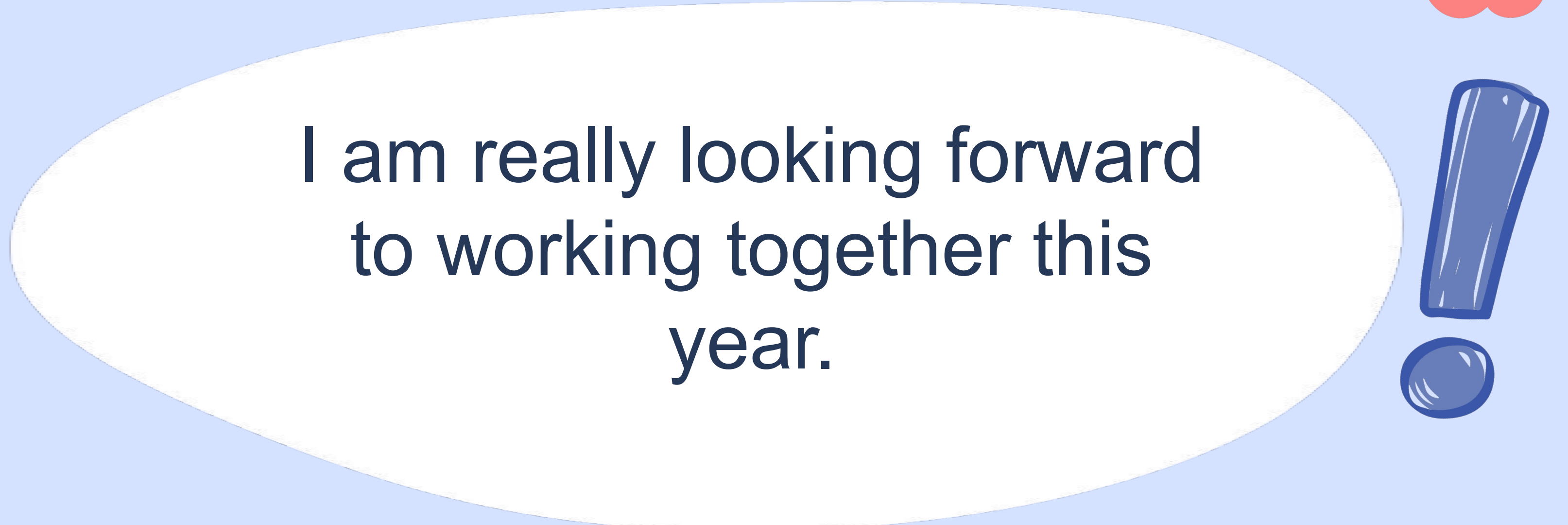
parents@stbernadette.herts.sch.uk

They will forward your email to my inbox where we can arrange either a telephone conversation or a face-to-face meeting.





Thank you all for coming
this afternoon.



I am really looking forward
to working together this
year.