



Welcome to Year 4! Please take a look at our curriculum newsletter to see what we will be learning about this Autumn term, and more importantly how you can support your child.

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English

In our English lessons, we are looking at *The Butterfly Lion* by Michael Morpurgo. We are also looking at a non-fiction text about Ancient Greece.

The purposes of our writing are descriptions and news articles. We are looking at improving our handwriting, organising ideas into paragraphs and adding detail to expand our sentences.

Maths

Year 4 is when we have a big push on times tables. Please practise as much as possible at home. This is the year when the children will be completing their MTC (Multiplication Tables Check). Times tables rockstars will be used throughout the year and frequent battles will be hosted between classes... come on Y4!

In Maths lessons, our first topics include place value, sequencing, rounding and estimating.

R.E

Within our R.E. topics, we will dive into Christian beliefs and compare them with teachings from other religions. We will look at the values we live by and passages from the bible.

Our first topic focuses on the holy trinity.

Reading

Comprehension is a key part of our learning at the start of Y4. We are trying to encourage the children to discuss and share what they are reading to ensure that they are retaining information. Reading 3x weekly.

Learning in other subjects

Science

Our first topics are 'The Digestive System' and 'States of Matter'. We will be looking at dissolving items in different liquids, testing different materials and investigating the properties of familiar items.

History

Our first topic is all about Ancient Greece. We will be learning about the Olympics, the buildings and fashion of Ancient Greece and the power of the mighty Spartans!

P.E.

We will be looking at passing and shooting as we transfer these skills into game situations.

Computing

We will be improving our skills on documents and powerpoints as we learn about networking and communication.

Music

Our first song for learning is Mamma Mia. Watch out for our performances on SeeSaw... they'll be abbasolutely brilliant.

Spellings: Handed out on Fridays → test on the following Friday.

Homework: Handed out on Fridays → to be completed by the following Wednesday.

Thank you for your support.

Mr Stringfellow