



July 2025

### Year 4 Summer Holiday Homework

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are fast approaching the summer holidays and an exciting new start in Year 4! It is important that your children enjoy a relaxing and well-earned break. The following activities are suggestions rather than requirements. However, the more they do, the easier it will be to get back into the school routine in September. We will of course, recognise effort and work completed!

- Summer reading challenge:

Each year, the local libraries run a Summer reading challenge aimed at children between the ages of 4 and 11. The children receive a medal and certificates for completing the challenge. This year's challenge is called 'Story Garden. More details can be found on their website:

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/librariesandarchives/library/kids-zone>

<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

- Times tables speed trials:

By the end of Year 4, children are expected to recall all 12 times tables fluently. We expect children to practise their times tables at least three times a week at home during term time. How your child practises their times tables is up to you. There are a number of interactive games to help the children recall their times tables quickly, such as 'Times Tables Rock Stars' and 'Hit the Button', which the children enjoy using in school. Here is the link to the website:

<https://trockstars.com/>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>

- Romans:

We will also be looking at the Romans in the new term. You could carry out some of your own research about the Romans and present it in a way that you choose such as a PowerPoint or a leaflet full of information. Some children may choose to do a poster about the Romans that can be displayed in their new classroom!

- Statutory spellings:

Attached is a copy of the Year 3 and Year 4 statutory spelling list. Please feel free to begin practising these spellings at home. Children will be tested on these words as well as different spelling rules throughout Year 4.

- SORA reading – digital library:

Earlier this year, we joined SORA to enable children to borrow digital books and magazines, including audio books. Children log in through their email which is 20(first two letters of their first name)(first two letters of their surname)@chjs.net

Example: John Smith = [19josm@chjs.net](mailto:19josm@chjs.net)

Their password will be Castle123.

Please see the attached guide for accessing SORA online or via the app.

We are really excited about working with your child next year. We know we're going to have a fantastic, fun filled year. Have a restful, relaxing and, hopefully, peaceful summer holiday.

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accident(ally)	disappear	interest	pressure
actual(ly)	early	island	probably
address	earth	knowledge	promise
answer	eight/eighth	learn	purpose
appear	enough	length	quarter
arrive	exercise	library	question
believe	experience	material	recent
bicycle	experiment	medicine	regular
breath	extreme	mention	reign
breathe	famous	minute	remember
build	favourite	natural	sentence
busy/business	February	naughty	separate
calendar	forward(s)	notice	special
caught	fruit	occasion(ally)	straight
centre	grammar	often	strange
century	group	opposite	strength
certain	guard	ordinary	suppose
circle	guide	particular	surprise
complete	heard	peculiar	therefore
consider	heart	perhaps	though/although
continue	height	popular	thought
decide	history	position	through
describe	imagine	possess(ion)	various
different	increase	possible	weight
difficult	important	potatoes	woman/women