



Well done Year 4!

Well done for a wonderful start to the Autumn term! We hope you have enjoyed the first half term of Year 4. You have all been superstars and have made your teachers very proud. We hope you are ready for another action packed half term in the lead up to Christmas. It was great to catch up with so many of you in the parents' evenings and hopefully it helped to give you an idea of how your child is settling into Year 4 – thank you for giving up your time to attend these appointments. We really appreciate your support. Please do remember, if you have any concerns or need support with anything, you can pop in and see us after school or ring the office to make an appointment.

Important Information and Reminders

Reading

Each child has received a book banded reading book to take home with them with the expectation that children read this at least three times per week at home and record this in their reading records. This then needs to be signed by a parent or guardian at least once per week so that they can be entered into the weekly reading raffle on a Friday!

Homework

Homework will be sent out each week on a Friday and will be due in the following Thursday. Each week the children will receive Maths homework (Times tables and Maths home learning, alternating from paper homework and homework set on Mathletics), spelling homework (5 spellings per week and a spelling task linked to this week's learning) and grammar homework. The children also have a log in for TT Rockstars and Reading Eggs and we ask that the children use this each week at home. If your child struggles with any of the home-learning tasks that are set each week, please feel free to ask us for any help or guidance. We are still running learning club before and after school for children to attend.

PE Kits and Uniform

The children will take part in two PE lessons per week, and they will need to wear their PE kit to school on Mondays and Thursdays as per year 4 PE days. Children must still wear their school cardigan or jumper with their PE kit. A letter has been sent out via parent mail from Mrs Tottie explaining what the PE kit should include - a white t-shirt, blue/black P.E. shorts or joggers and trainers. *A reminder that Monday 11th November is school photograph day, therefore children will need to come to school in full uniform. The missing PE lesson will move to Friday for that week.*

Thank you for all your support in ensuring the children have the correct uniform. Please can we just remind all parents that the children need to have a pair of school shoes to wear each day and that trainers should only be worn on PE days.

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English

Class text: Leon and the Place Between by Graham Baker-Smith

The children will be writing a recount, in the form of Leon's secret diary about what really happened in 'the place between'. They will be building on prior knowledge of expanded noun phrases and conjunctions and will also be indicating possession by using the possessive apostrophe with plural nouns.

Reading text: The Train to Impossible Places by P.G. Bell

The children will be focusing on this text as part of their reading sessions. They will be answering inference questions and clarifying vocabulary.



Art

The children will be developing their print making skills using different blocks, painting slabs and rollers.



History

The children will continue learning about Britain's settlement from the Anglo-Saxons and Scots.

Geography

The children will be continuing to learn rivers in geography this half term.



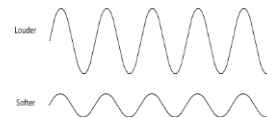
Maths

This half term the children will be learning about all four operations. They will begin by doing this mentally and then will learn the written methods. We will also continue to develop the children's times tables knowledge in preparation for the times table check at the end of Year 4.

Science

In science, our topic is 'Sound'. Children will learn about how sounds are made, understand the meaning of pitch, volume and recognise the need for hearing aids.

They will learn about Miller Reese Hutchison, who developed some of the first portable electrical devices such as the vehicle horn and the hearing aid.



Computing

The children will be learning how to stay safe online as well as exploring creativity with technology.

Music

This term, the children will be learning how to play the glockenspiel – developing playing skills.



PE

The children will learn how to play badminton and develop their skills throughout this half term.

RE – Christianity and God

Children will look at how they should attempt to live their lives and link this to the Christian use of the Bible.

Design Technology

We will be continuing to explore Electrical Systems and how to make simple circuits and switches.

MFL – French

The children will be learning about discussing their local area and Christmas in French.

PSHE The children will be learning about respecting similarities and differences in people. They will be considering their identity and personal attributes and qualities and will learn about the importance of individuality and challenging stereotypes and assumptions.