



#### What's Happening in Year 4?

We hope that you all had a lovely Easter break and the children are looking forward to a busy but exciting term ahead! We have been so impressed by how the children have settled in after the break and are looking forward to another busy half term.

On 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> May, Year 4 will be partaking in an Ancient Egypt workshop linking to their new history topic for this half term.

Also, on 15<sup>th</sup> May at 5.30pm, we will be holding a parent meeting to discuss the upcoming Residential trip in Chester in June.

As you will be aware, we are gearing up towards the Multiplication Tables Check which will take place in June. It has been wonderful to see the progress the children have made with their timestables throughout Year 4. Below are some useful links to help your child practise their timestables at home. All the children have their own TTRockstars log ins, if you are unsure of your child's details, please ask your class teacher.

<https://trockstars.com>

<https://mathsframe.co.uk/en/resources/category/7/multiplication-and-division>

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

If you would like to do some extra practice of the multiplication test, below is a link with a practice test on.

<https://mathsframe.co.uk/en/resources/resource/477/Multiplication-Tables-Check>

#### Important Information and Reminders

##### **Reading**

As you know, the expectation for the children is to read at least five times per week at home and for this to be recorded 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 each Friday! In addition, the class with highest reading percentage in each year group, receive an extra reward!

##### **Homework**

Thank you for your continued support regarding homework; we have been very pleased with the efforts the children have been putting into their homework. Each week, children receive a Maths piece of homework each week – this alternates between an online task on Mathletics and a paper task, a spelling homework and an English task – alternating between a Grammar and a Reading comprehension task. The children also receive a timestables sheet to continue their practice.

The children are very lucky to have multiple log ins for online programmes which they can use at home (Mathletics, Reading Eggs and TT Rockstars). If you need the log ins for any of these programmes, please contact your class teacher.

If your child struggles with any of the home-learning tasks that are set, please feel free to ask us for any support or guidance. We also run a home-learning club Monday-Thursday each week before and after school to support the children with their home. Please contact the school office if this is something you would like your child to attend. Please do remember, that if you have any concerns or need support with anything, to pop in and see us after school or ring the office to make an appointment.

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**English**

Class text: *Where the forest meets the sea* and *Rainforest in 30 seconds*. The children will be writing a rainforest information board.



Class text: *There's a Rang-Tan in my Bedroom*. The children will create a persuasive information board.



**Maths**

The children will continue their learning on area and perimeter before moving on geometry and looking at 2D and 3D shapes building on their knowledge from Year 3. They will then learn about time and money.

**Science**

In Science, we will be focusing on Chemistry and will begin a unit based on states of matter. We will be looking at rocks, fossils and soil.

**Computing**

In computing, we will continue to look at E-Safety and how to stay safe online. We will also begin to look at programming and in particular photo

**PE**

We will have two PE sessions per week. This half term, we will be completing a unit based on gymnastics with a focus on agility and floor work.

**Geography:** In Geography we will be recapping our knowledge of Rivers and then look at developing our map skills and fieldwork by exploring the environmental regions of Europe, Russia and North and South America.

**History:** In History, we will be looking at Ancient Egypt and it's achievements as one of the earliest civilizations.



**Music:** In Music, the children will have the opportunity to learn all about Samba drumming and how to play one.

**PSHE:** Our PSHE focus for this half term is feelings and emotions. With a focus on expressing our feelings and how to manage our feelings related to loss or grief.

**Art:** We will developing our skills on 3D sculpture and the works of Alberto Giacometti.



**RE:** In RE, we will be studying the religion, Islam and focusing on the question, why do Muslims fast during Ramadan?

**MFL:** The children will be revisiting body parts and explain why they feel unwell as well as learning about jungle animals.

**Design Technology:** In DT, our focus will be around food and a healthy and varied diet.