# Chapelford Village Primary School Year 4 Newsletter Summer Term 2





## What's Happening in Year 4?

We would like to welcome you all back after the final half term of the year and hope you all had a lovely break. We are now heading into the final half term of Year 4 and would like to thank all of the children for their hard work and the parents and carers for the support this year.

This half term, we have our Chester residential on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday the 11<sup>th</sup> of June. We hope the children are looking forward to it and if you need any more information, all of key details are on the website for you to look at. Throughout the two days we will be posting regular updates on our Facebook page so check this out to see what the children get up to!

Throughout the year, the children have been preparing for their multiplication test which they will be completing in June. All the information for this check is on the school website but if you have any other questions, just ask your class teacher.

We will also be holding a parents' evening in the summer term. This will be the chance to celebrate all of your child's achievements this year and discuss any next steps ready for Year 5. These will take place on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> and Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> of July and information will be sent out shortly for booking your appointments.

Finally, the summer term means sports day is coming up! As usual, the children we compete in different races in their houses. The Year 3 and 4 sports day will take place on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June but more information will be sent out via ParentMail.

## <u>Important Information and Reminders</u>

## 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**

In English, we will be using the wonderful story, Wisp, which tells a story about a child living in a refugee camp, as inspiration for out writing. We will be using all of the skills we have learnt in Year 4 so far and writing a narrative based on this story.



#### Maths

In Maths we will be focusing on time, money and statistics. We will learn how to tell the time on both a digital and analogue clock and we will look at how to read and interpret line graphs. We will also continue to practise our times tables in preparation for our time tables check!

## Computing

In computing, we will continue to look at E-Safety and how to stay safe online. We will also be looking at photo editing using different software.

### Science

In Science, we will be focusing on States of Matter. We will learn all about solids, liquids and gases and how materials can change state.

**Geography:** In Geography, we will be focusing on map works and fieldwork.

**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 as part of a samba band.

**PSHE:** Our PSHE focus for this half term is hopes and dreams. We will think about our future and what aspirations we have.

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



**RE:** In RE, we will be looking at Christianity. We will be answering the questions 'How should we live our lives' and 'What does love thy neighbour really mean?

**MFL:** The children will be looking at the summertime and learning words and phases related to this.

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