



What's Happening in Year 4?

We hope that you all enjoyed the Christmas holiday and the children had chance to rejuvenate their batteries after a jam packed half term. We have been so impressed by how the children have settled in after the break and are looking forward to another busy half term.

Parents' Evening will be taking place this half term on Tuesday 11th and Thursday 13th February. This is a great opportunity to celebrate all your child's progress since the start of Year 4. These will be a mix of face to face and virtual appointments and can be booked online. If you need any support with this, please contact your class teacher.

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Important Information and Reminders

Reading

Each child will receive a book banded reading book to take home 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 Wednesday. 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 English homework (This will alternate between a comprehension and a grammar activity). The children also still have a log in for TT Rockstars and Reading Eggs and we ask that the children use this two times per 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.

Times tables

Year 4 is a very important year for times tables as the children will be sitting **the Multiplication Check in Summer 2025** where they will be expected to answer 25 questions. They will be given 6 seconds per question which will be from any times table up to 12 x 12. Therefore, we will be having a huge push on times tables this half term and any support at home will be greatly appreciated as it will ultimately provide your child with extra confidence and support in this key area.

Below are some useful links to help your child practice their times tables 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>

PE Kits and Uniform

The children will take part in two PE lessons per week, on Monday and Friday, and they will need to come into school in their full P.E kit. During this half term, weather permitting, we may be completing some sessions outside so a warm hoodie, tracksuit bottoms and a coat is advisable as the weather continues to be unpredictable.

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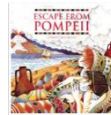
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English: In English we will be focusing on narrative writing based on *The Escape from Pompeii* by Christina Balit. The children will be learning how to organise their paragraphs around a theme and use direct speech.

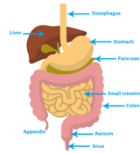
We will also complete daily guided reading lessons where we will use a range of different texts to enhance our comprehension skills. We will be working on answering questions based on a variety of skills: inference, vocabulary and retrieval.



Maths: In Maths we will move onto multiplication and division. We will be building on our knowledge from Year 3 and learning how to apply our growing knowledge of times tables to a wide range of questions.

We will have weekly fluency sessions which will help us to recap our arithmetic skills and get better at our times tables.

Science: We will begin a unit based on animals including humans. We will be learning about our digestive system including the role teeth play in this.

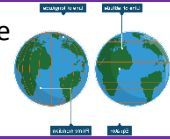


Computing: In computing, we will continue to look at E-Safety and how to stay safe online. We will also be exploring repetition and loops within programming.



PE: We will have two PE sessions per week. This half term, we will be completing a unit based on our cognitive skills where we will explore dynamic balance and co-ordination.

Geography: In Geography we will look at the longitude, latitude and the equator.



History: In History, we will be looking at the Viking's invasion of Britain. We will learn about their way of life and their impact on Britain.

Music: In Music, we will continue our weekly singing assemblies and will complete a unit based on glockenspiels.



PSHE: Our PSHE focus for this half term is relationships. We will look at the relationships we have, including online.

Art: We will be completing work for the PAN Art Festival. We will be using our skills of shading with negative space, weaving and printing to create a piece based on one of the seasons.

RE: In RE, we will be studying the religion, Christianity. We will be answering the question, Is sacrifice an important part of religious life?

MFL: We will be continuing our French lessons and will look at our family tree.

Design Technology: In DT, we will design shell structures.