

Year 4

Spring 2 Term 2025

We ask that children regularly practise and learn their times tables. It has been proven to make a huge difference to the speed and accuracy of their calculation skills. We have TTRockstars awards in class too.

Reading is important so please try and listen to your child read at least three times a week, this does not have to be a whole book, just 5 minutes or a few pages each time and they can also use Reading Plus. Please ensure that your child is bringing in their reading record every day to school.

Swimming has now finished, therefore our PE lessons will take place on a Tuesday and Thursday this half term.

The children will get weekly homework- this will include spellings that relate to what has been covered that week during our SCODE lessons and year 4 appropriate spellings.

Maths

Our focus this term for Maths will predominantly focus around our multiplication and division strategies. We will then develop our work on fractions.

These will include:

- Distributive Law – partitioning to multiply.
- Compensating.
- Associative Law.
- Developing effective mental strategies.
- Factors and factorising.
- Written methods for multiplication.
- Written methods for division.
- Application of skills in problem solving.

Fractions

- Making a whole.
- Fractions on a number line.
- Mixed numbers and improper fractions.
- Equivalent fractions.
- Fractions of an amount.
- Adding and subtracting fractions.

We will sit the statutory times table test in June 2025. It is an expectation, by the end of Year 4, for children to know their times tables up to 12 x 12. Please encourage your child to use TTRockstars at home.

Literacy

This term our writing focus will be developing explanation texts and poetry.

Punctuation and grammar we will focus on...

- Nouns (common, proper, collective and abstract)
- Verbs (being verbs and regular/irregular action verbs.)
- Coordinating and subordinating conjunctions to join clauses
- Identifying and using pronouns and determiners.

This terms spelling focus will be:

- Continuing to learn common exception words and high frequency words in Year 4.
- We are continuing to develop spelling through our Scode programme.

This term's reading focus will be

- Apply their knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes, both to read aloud and to understand the meaning of new words that they meet.
- To read and discuss a wide range of fiction, non-fiction, poetry, plays and reference books.

Topic

Europe and the Mediterranean

In Geography, we will be exploring how the world is represented on globes and maps, as well as the human and physical features of Europe. We will also explore the features of the Mediterranean countries.



In Science, we will study States of Matter, investigating and learning about the properties of solids, liquids and gases.

The other subjects we are covering include:

PE – Tennis and gymnastics.

Music – Continue with violin lessons.

D&T – Making Pizza.

RE – Christianity and forgiveness.

Computing – Algorithms and micro bits.