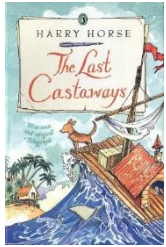


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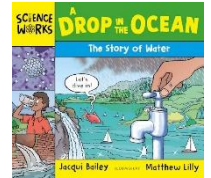
How can we make the most of our local coast?

Please find some useful information about our routines and our curriculum this term, to help you help the children make the most of their learning.

Welcome to Term 5. Children will complete their P.E and Forest School on Wednesdays with Mrs Prestleton.
Please send your child with appropriate clothing for both.



English: We will be practising diary and biography writing and learning more about how to up-level sentences, using high level vocabulary and a variety of sentence structures, to ensure the best results from our writing. We will use a lovely book, *A Drop in the Ocean*, to remind us of the journey of a drop of water.



During our VIPERS reading sessions, we will be using *The Last Castaways* by Harry Horse, practising retrieval, summarising and inference based on the information we have been given in the text.

Mathematics: Following White Rose Maths, we will be completing our work on decimals, as well as looking how that links with money. We will also be completing a unit of work on time, looking at the 24-hour clock and securing understanding of telling the time to the nearest minute.



Alongside this, we will be focussing on times tables ahead of government assessments and children would benefit greatly from completing their Times Tables Rockstars as set out in Home Learning.



Science: Classification and changing habitats

What do whales and humans have in common? Why is a bird not a fish and how can you link jellyfish and snails? Children will be investigating different animal groups to see what makes them unique to others.

purple mash

Computing: Hardware investigators

Safety starter: Managing online information

R.E: Hinduism – What is it like to be a Hindu in Britain today? – Part one.

Thinking about the basis of the Hindu religion and what is important to Hindus.



Geography: We will be looking at our coasts and who lives near them and why. We will find out how they are formed and how they change. This unit deepens the children's knowledge of physical geography, both locally and nationwide, as well as human geography.



P.E: Athletics - Wednesdays



Music: Ukelele tuition continues with Kent Music

French: Vocabulary – shapes



P.S.H.E: How do I change as I get older?



Home Learning:

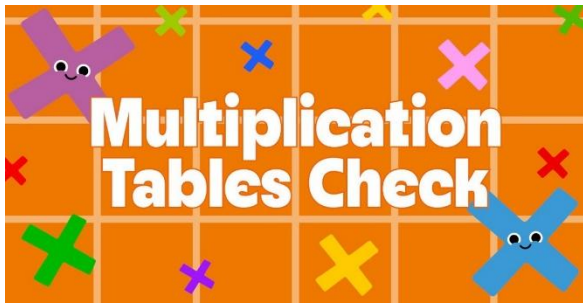
Reading - 15 mins 5 x a week.
PLEASE SIGN YOUR CHILD'S READING RECORD!



Times Table Rock Stars – 5 x a week
Spellings – List for the week on Spelling Shed

Useful Info / Dates:

- Thursday, 23 April – Athletics event at Sandwich Leisure Centre: 9:30am start, 11:30am finish
- Friday, 8th May – Year 4 Giraffe Class assembly: 9:00am



Multiplication check – June 2026

At the start of Term 6, your Year 4 child will be assessed on their recall of all times tables, up to the 12-times table. This is a government requirement and the children have been aware of it all year and practising with Mrs Davies. Miss Thomas will go through more details at a parental information session and will let you know a date on dojo closer to the time.

Pupils are given 25 questions across a range of multiplication tables and have a 6 second recall time. Over the past couple of years, it has shown that those children who access their Times Tables Rock Stars on a regular basis have a better accuracy than those that do not.

During previous years, the school has given a wide range of home learning for pupils, however, it has been streamlined to consider pupil (and carer's) time and wellbeing. This simplified homework for Year 4 now consists of reading and multiplication practise 5 times a week. **Please can you encourage your child to complete TTRS** (for which they will require online access and their password for their account) as often as possible to support them in all of their maths learning.

If you would like further advice or other ideas of how to best support your child with their times tables learning, please ask me.

Spellings and vocabulary

Please find below the spellings for this term. Spellings will be uploaded onto Spelling Shed weekly and it would benefit your child to practise as much as possible, so that their spelling skills improve and they are on track to meet standards for Year 4.

Your child will have the login details to this in the back of their reading record. Assignments will be set each week.

<u>Week</u>	<u>Spelling rule</u>	<u>Extra -cool</u>	<u>Cool group</u>	<u>Class</u>
1	Words where the digraph 'ea' makes an /e/ sound	head, bread, meant, instead, wealth, sweat, threat, spread, dead, deaf	vague, league, plague, fatigue, antique, dialogue, unique, grotesque, plaque, mosque	solve, insoluble, real, reality, dissolve, solution, realistic, unreal, realisation, soluble
	Words ending in '-que' and '-que'			
	Step 27: Words containing 'sol' and 'real'			
2	Words where the digraph 'er' is stressed	herb, verb, her, term, person, germ, stern, perch, fern, mermaid	science, scene, discipline, scissors, ascends, scented, fascinate, scenery,	signal, telephone, assign, microphone, homophone, sign, phonics, signature,
	Words where the digraph 'sc' makes a /s/ sound			

	Words containing 'phon' and 'sign'		crescent, descend	megaphone, design
3	Words where the digraph 'er' is unstressed	better, summer, sister, after, never, under, winter, brother, ever, river	ball, bawl, break, brake, male, mail, fair, fare, berry, bury	supermarket, superhero, superstar, superhuman, antiseptic, anticlockwise, antisocial, autobiography, autograph, automatic
	Words that are homophones			
	Words with the prefixes 'super-', 'anti-' and 'auto'			
4	Words with the digraphs 'ir' and 'ur'	girl, shirt, third, bird, first, turn, hurt, burst, church, Thursday	accidentally, breathe, century, eight, consider, guard, heard, peculiar, possible, quarter	bicycle, biplane, biped, bicentennial, biannual, bilingual, biscuit, biceps, binoculars, bisect
	Challenge Words			
	Step 30: Words with the prefix 'bi-' meaning 'two'			
5	Words where the digraph 'oo' makes an /oo/ sound	food, pool, moon, zoo, soon, tool, boots, spoon, afternoon, boom	vision, confusion, division, television, invasion, erosion, collision, decision, fusion, revision	guide, possess, forwards, accident, eighth, occasion, Wednesday, actually, busy, forward
	Words ending in '-sion'			
	Challenge Words			

Here is a list of some of the words your child will become familiar with this term:

- Coast
- Maritime
- Settlement
- Erosion
- Estuary
- Groyne
- Sediment

Linked to our Geography

- Vertebrate
- Invertebrate
- Classify
- Classification key
- Endangered
- Deforestation
- Conservation

Linked to our Science

I'm very much looking forward to getting to know your children and inspiring them in their learning. It is my privilege to be part of Giraffe Class.

Mrs Webb