

Year 4 Information Sheet

 Spring 2022

**Reminders:**

Please ensure that you are asking your child times table and division questions, as we prepare for the MTC.

Please ensure that you are listening to your child read three times per week to be entered in to our prize raffles.



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## **Year 4**

Teachers:

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**English**

In English, during the Spring term, we will be using the ‘Anglo-Saxon Boy’ plus other non-fiction books. We will be writing stories, non-chronological reports, a diary entry and poems – we will be very busy! These writing genres look at different features so we have lots of learning to do. This is as well as our reading and spellings, which happen alongside our other English work. At home, you can support your child by using our online programmes which school pay into – Letter Join, Purple Mash and Gooseberry Planet as well as other free programmes. It is also important to read with your child as often as possible – **our Year group target is 3 times per week to have a chance at winning a Kindle.**

Children will be able to take reading books home and these will be changed on Monday to be sent home on Tuesday. Try and return them on Friday, but use the weekend as extra sessions to read with an adult if needed.

**Maths**

In the Autumn term, we focussed on place value, addition and subtraction, length and perimeter and multiplication and division. In Spring, we will use our times table knowledge to better understand area and begin to look at formal methods for multiplication and division. The children will also begin to represent ‘whole amounts’ using fractions and decimals.

Times tables are an important part of maths learning in every year group. In year 4, children need to be able to fluently recall all their multiplication and division facts (TT Rockstars is fantastic for this, also Numbots). We will support the children extensively with this. The stronger their recall with these, the easier they will be able to access other areas of maths. **Please support your child with learning them.**

**Theme**

Our topic for this term is Anglo-Saxons and how they have helped to shape the Bradford we live in today. We will learn about the types of settlements in Britain and the meaning behind some place names. This will be linked to Geography and compass points but also History, starting with what happened to Britain after the Romans left.

**Science**

Children will explore a variety of everyday materials and develop simple descriptions of the states of matter – that solids hold their shape, liquids form a pool and gases escape from an unsealed container. Water will be used to represent a solid, a liquid and a gas through heating and cooling.

Diary Dates

TBC! We will be arranging some in class competitions on TTRS and between the year group! Restrictions dependent, we are finalising a trip and workshop at Leeds City Museum and trying to organise an experience with the Royal Armouries, although this may be virtual!