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Year 4 Curriculum Information Letter Summer 2026

Dear Parents,

We would like to welcome you back to school and hope that you and your family are well and have had an enjoyable Christmas break!

In this letter you will find an overview of the work that your child will be completing during this term. Please find opportunities to support your child's learning by doing additional research on any new topics.

RE	We will be developing the children's understanding of the Liturgical year as a celebration of the Life of Christ. We will look at the symbols of the Church including the way Easter and Pentecost are celebrated in the Church. We are continuing to take part in the new RE curriculum pilot so we will be re-visiting the early life of Jesus through the theme of Prophecy and Promise.
English	Reading: This term, Year 4 are reading 'Lion Witch and the Wardrobe' by C.S Lewis. Writing: The children will be taught a range of writing genres (fiction and non-fiction) based on our key texts. Genres include Refugee Narrative, Diary entry and Biography. Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling will be based on the Programmed of Study for Year 4.
Maths	This term, our areas of focus will be: Decimals, Money, Time. Shape, Statistics and Position and Direction. Please support your child with learning/practicing their times tables regularly as this will be tested weekly and will aid much of their mathematical learning.
Science	Summer 1- Animals including humans Summer 2- Living things and Habitats
Computing	Programming- further coding with scratch.
PE	P.E will take place every Thursday with Yoga on Friday so please ensure your child has the correct kit. A letter should be provided if your child is unable to participate in P.E for a medical reason. Topics to be taught this term are Athletics and Cricket.
Music	Recorders – Year 4 content
PSHE	Module 1: Created and Loved by God: Life cycles.
French	Children will develop their understanding of spoken and written French and work towards using spoken language with confidence and accuracy.

History & Geography	Geography- Where does our food come from? Children are invited to research these topics out of school and bring in any information they have collected using their research books.
Art & Design Technology	In Art we will be developing skills in Craft and design: Ancient Egyptian Scroll For DT, the children will be will be developing skills on Electrical systems: Torches.

Homework	<p>Reading: Each child will read daily in either whole class sessions, small groups or individually. Boomreader will be checked daily to ensure home reading is taking place. Please read with your child every day and make a comment on Boomreader. Reading books must be brought to school every day.</p> <p>Spelling: Weekly spelling lists will be given out on Fridays. Spellings are handed out and posted on Dojo each week.</p> <p>Times Tables: All times tables up to 12 should be learnt by the end of Year 4. Further to this, children should know the inverse operations for each multiplication calculation. This will be tested weekly.</p> <p>Other: Maths and English homework will be given out on a Friday and should be completed and returned the following Thursday, unless requested for a specific date.</p> <p>Spelling lists and homework are posted on Dojo each week</p>
Attendance and Punctuality	<p>This year we have a school target of 97% for pupils in Rec- 6. It is very important that your child attends school every day. Pupils with an attendance level of less than 90% are regarded by the Government as having Persistent Absence and parents will be invited into school to discuss reasons for persistent absence. School starts at 8.40am and finishes at 3.20pm. Please be aware of these new timings and make necessary adjustments to ensure that your child is here on time.</p> <p>If there is a cause for concern about your child's punctuality you will be contacted to discuss this matter.</p>
What to remember each day:	<p>Reading books must be brought to school every day please</p> <p>Tuesday- Forest school (Summer 1) Thursday: Homework due in Thursday: PE Friday: Yoga</p>
Other dates:	<p>Tuesday 12th May- Y4 Buddhist Centre Friday 22nd May- Active Curriculum Day Thursday 18th June- Y4 Class Mass Friday 26th June- Sports day Year 4 School Trip TBC</p>

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to email me at enquiry@stjohnmon.bham.sch.uk.

Yours sincerely,
Miss Hallahan and Miss Herbert