



Sycamore Newsletter

September 2026

In **English** lessons this term, we are reading a book called Flood by Alvaro F. Villa. The children will explore the text and create a setting description and narrative based on the text.



In **Maths** we are focusing on place value in 3 digit (Year 3) and 4 digit (Year 4) numbers and then beginning to apply this to addition and subtraction. We will also be working on quick recall of times tables. Year 4s will take a times table test in the summer term. Regular practise of new tables and repetition of ones previously learnt is invaluable. Here is a link to support you doing this at home:

[Times Tables Rock Stars: Play \(ttrockstars.com\)](https://www.ttrockstars.com)

Reading – Your child will bring home a book at their level. Reading with an adult remains really important so new words and understanding can be discussed. We ask that you aim to read daily with your child, making a note in their student journal. Children will receive house points for consistently reading at home.

Homework

In addition to reading and timetables, your child will receive a Homework Grid. There are a variety of tasks from which they need to pick 3 to complete by the October half term. Homework books can be handed in on a Friday to be marked.

Student Planners

Your child will have a student planner. There is space for reading to be logged and messages written by home and school. These will be checked daily in school and we ask that you do the same at home to aid communication. There is space for you to sign at the end of the week to show you have accessed this.

Geography

In Geography we will be learning about Settlements.



Art and DT

In Art this term we will be exploring 'Gestural Drawing with Charcoal.' In DT this term we will be 'Mechanical systems- sliders and levers.'



Science

In Science this half term the children will be learning about Animals including Humans.

PHSE

In PSHE we will be looking at the topic 'Me and my relationships.'

PE

We will be doing netball and OAA. The children have PE every Wednesday and Thursday. Earrings should not be worn for any PE session please help your child stay safe by removing their earrings on a PE day.

R.E.

In RE we will be looking at the question 'Why is the Bible so important for Christian today?'

Computing

The children will be learning about Emails.

Music

The children will be learning about the unit 'I've been to Harlem.'