



Trawden Forest Primary - School Newsletter

Every child matters; every moment counts.

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Year 4 - Class Welcome Newsletter - Autumn Term 2021/2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to Year 4 and the Autumn Term.

The children are settling in well and we have much to learn about. Our English and art will centre around the topic of Dragons which will be an exciting topic throughout the school which the children will enjoy.



Sound

Our science topic for this half-term is all about sound.

We will be:

- Exploring pitch
- Finding how to change sounds
- Discover how sounds are made
- Exploring loud and quiet sounds



ENGLISH

Firstly, we will look at the story of How to Train Your Dragon. We will be learning how to spell words and also to improve our sentences through the use of fronted adverbials, expanded noun phrases and speech. Within this, children will be taught how to correctly punctuate speech.

We will also learn to perform a poem The Dragon who Ate Our School which is fun!



MATHS

We will be developing our mental maths skills with a special focus on the 6x and 9 x tables. During the next half term, we will be focussing heavily on Place Value as that is the basis of mathematics.

There is a heavy emphasis on 4-digit numbers in Year 4 (Thousands, Hundreds, Tens and Units).



WELCOME
BACK
TO
SCHOOL

Staff in Year 4

Mrs Atkinson

Miss Whittam



HAPPY 9TH BIRTHDAY THIS HALF-TERM TO...

Lucy, Jayden, Isla, India and Freddie

Geography

Our Geography topic is the Americas where we will learn about North and South America.



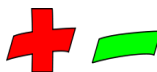
Forest School

Forest School will begin on Tuesday 8th September when children will require Forest School kit. This will include spare socks, a hat and gloves as the weather is colder.

MATHS HOMEWORK

Minute Maths will be set on a Friday and will be stuck in their homework book. Please time your child 1 minute per section. If they cannot yet reach the bottom within one minute, please ask your child to underline where they reach before finishing them off. Alternatively, you can write how long it took them at the base of each strip. The idea is that they begin to improve their scores over time.

Please practise times tables with your child as they are vital. All Year 4 children need to know all of their times tables and division facts up to 12 x 12. Your child should already be able to rapidly recall their 2x, 5x, 10x, 3x, 4x and 8x tables and the related division facts so I would appreciate it



very much if you could practise these if you know that your child does not know them yet.



As a general guide, they should be able to answer questions within 6 seconds.

EXTRA, EXTRA, EXTRA!



Mrs Stinchon will be teaching the children computing on a Wednesday afternoon and they will have PE taught by ProSport during the latter part of the morning. PLEASE make sure the children have their PE kits in school - remember no jewellery.

DATES TO REMEMBER

13th Sept—Roald Dahl Day

23rd Sept—Non-Uniform Day

24th Sept—Macmillan Coffee Afternoon

24th Sept—History Visitor in classes

8th October—Open Day

12th October—Individual Photographs

13th October—Christmas Fair PTFA

15th October—Forest School Day (not Tuesday this week)

Tuesday—Forest School kit required

Wednesday – PE kit needed

Wednesday – Spelling homework given out

Friday – Maths homework given out

ENGLISH HOMEWORK

Reading

Please hear your child read and ask them questions about the books that they are reading in order to develop their understanding and find evidence for their answer in the text.

Spelling

Spellings will be given out on a Wednesday. Your child will have their spellings in their homework book and will have a week to learn them as they

Go
Wild...
Read!

will be tested
the following
Wednesday.



The MORE that you READ,
the more THINGS you will KNOW.
The MORE you LEARN,
the more PLACES you'll GO!
—Dr. Seuss

Bucket List

Children worked together to help to create a list of six things that they would like to accomplish this year.

- Have a visit from the police
- Make a volcano
- Do some cooking
- Make an Egyptian mask
- Go on a visit to the zoo
- To be announced—it's a surprise!



Booket List

The ten books for children in Year 4 to read are as follows:

1. The Firework Maker's Daughter
2. The Boy at the Back of the Class
3. Bill's New Frock
4. Charlotte's Web
5. Why the Whales Came
6. World's Worst Teachers
7. Fing
8. The Boy in the Dress
9. The Twits
10. 13 - Storey Treehouse



They have chosen quite a number of the books themselves!

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