

## Welcome!

I can't believe that we are now, half-way through this academic year! We were very busy last half-term and completed many activities. Some of our favourites were the DT moving posters (hopefully, you liked them too!), our hot chocolate experience lesson, a visit from The History Man and starting swimming!

This term, will be no exception as we continue to work hard and complete more exciting challenges, such as continuing with swimming, den building and discovering about Anglo-Saxon life.

The last time we wrote an update (January), the class had read **2.7 million** words.... As of this week they have read **3.5 million** words. That is nearly an extra million words in just over 5 weeks. What a fantastic achievement!

Year 4 will be taking part in Forest School sessions this half term – see details in this newsletter.

Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or queries. You can do this via email, through the school office or in person at the end of the day.

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## Year 4 Topics

Autumn 1	Spring 1	Summer 1			
(04.09.23 – 19.10.23)	(08.01.24 – 09.02.24)	(15.04.24 – 24.05.24)			
Light It Up!	Mountains!	Raging Rivers			
Autumn 2	Spring 2	Summer 2			
Autumn 2 (30.10.23 – 21.12.23)	<b>Spring 2</b> (19.02.24 – 28.03.24)	Summer 2 (04.06.24 – 19.07.24)			

# Weekly Timetable

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Bring in your reading book and record in in class every day				
			Homework Due In	Spelling Test / New Spellings
			Reading Records checked	Homework Set
			Swimming!	Forest School

### Our Learning this half term

Our topic for the first half term is 'The Anglo-Saxons!' Throughout this half term, we will be focussing on:



English: 'The Creature' (Newspaper report) – A creature has washed up on the beach, due to plastic pollution... It is our job to report what has happened. Next, we will be looking at 'Aladdin and the Enchanted Lamp' (Traditional Tale) – How can we create our own Traditional Tale?

Maths: Length & Perimeter and Fractions

**Science**: States of matter – What are states of matter? How can objects change state? Are the changes permanent or reversible? We will also focus on 'Time' as part of British Science Week.

**History:** The Anglo-Saxons – What happened after the Romans left? What was life like in Anglo-Saxon Britain?

How many Kingdoms were there in England?

French: Ma Famille – How can we discuss our family in French? Who are the members of our family?

Computing: Audio-Editing – How can we finish our podcast? Before moving on to consolidating basic skills.

RE: Sikhism – How do Sikhs express their beliefs and values?

Art: Repeated Patterns – What is repeated pattern art? How can we turn a repeated pattern into a work of art?

**PSHE**: Computer Safety – How can we protect ourselves online? What is online bullying?

Forest School: How can we build dens? What is the most appropriate knot to use?



# Swimming

### Thursday afternoons – 11.01.24 – 28.03.24.

**Swimming Kit** - <u>Towel</u> and <u>swimming costume (one piece)</u>, <u>trunks</u> or <u>swimming shorts (NO longer than knee length)</u> in an appropriate bag.

If your child has an inhaler this will also need to be in school, to be taken to the pool.

**Swimming Caps** - Both boys and girls, who have long hair (shoulder length or longer) will require a swimming cap. This is information taken from Pendle Leisure Centre.

Jewellery - This is not permitted in the pool. Therefore, earrings and watches should be removed by the children for that day or before leaving school and given to the teacher for safekeeping until they return.

Goggles - These may only be worn in exceptional circumstances (medical issues) due to safety reasons. These rules are based on Health and Safety regulations set down by Lancashire County Council and are non-negotiable. If your child has a medical reason for wearing goggles please request a permission form from the office, complete it and return it to the office before the first lesson.



## Forest School



Essential Forest School Kit – all children MUST bring the correct kit on their allocated day. It is important that they have a clean pair of shoes for inside school and a pair of wellies/boots to change into for Forest School.

#### Winter Kit

Summer Kit

Wellies
Snow suits
A set of outdoor clothes to change into
Waterproof coat and trousers
Gloves or mittens
Warm hat
Scarf
Spare gloves
Warm winter coat
Thick socks



#### **Summer Kit**

Suncream
Trainers
Sun hat
Sunglasses
Midge repellent

#### **Year 4 Forest School Dates**

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February, Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March, Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March, Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March

## PE

All children MUST have their PE Kit in a draw string bag that is kept in school on their peg. It will be sent home to be washed and size checked each half term.

#### P.E. Kit

white round neck t-shirt

**black** shorts

black pumps (indoor)

plain black or white trainers (outdoor) - these may be brought in each week plain black tracksuit bottoms / leggings (outdoor)

\* **plain black** tracksuit top (outdoor)

drawstring pump bag

\* = optional

• Note- watches and earrings must be removed for PE and long hair must be tied back



### School Uniform

### TRAWDEN FOREST PRIMARY SCHOOL

#### School uniform

school logo **bottle green** sweatshirt or cardigan **white** polo shirt

black school trousers for winter

black school shorts for summer

- \* bottle green and white checked dress for summer
- \* green checked skirt / pinafore (or plain black skirt / pinafore)

white or black socks

black tights

black school shoes

NO jeans

NO trainers or boots

NO jewellery, make-up or nail varnish



#### **Forest School**

Waterproof suit or coat

Waterproof trousers

boots / wellies

spare socks

hat and gloves

#### Extras

- \* bottle green school book bag
- \* bottle green school logo coat
- \* named water bottle
- \* green small logo ruck sack

#### P.E. Kit

white round neck t-shirt

black shorts

black pumps (indoor)

plain black or white trainers (outdoor)
plain black tracksuit bottoms / leggings
(outdoor)

- \* plain black tracksuit top (outdoor) drawstring pump bag
- \* = optional

https://www.trawden.lancs.sch.uk/parents/ uniform Note; watches are allowed, earrings must be plain studs. Long hair must be tied back and hair accessories should be plain and in school colours (green or black)

Our school uniform is available to buy direct and onlinefrom :-

https://www.jeanjunction.com/ 300 Burnley Road, Colne, Lancashire,

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