



Year 4 Expectations

All children learn at different levels but the government sets expectations for children in each year group.

By this stage of **Year 4** we want children to be able to do the things listed below. We have also said how you can help your children do them:

Reading		How you can help:
Reading Aloud	Read a Lime, Copper or Topaz reading book aloud fluently and confidently.	Read with child at least 4x per week. Read small sections of the book rather than the whole book in one go.
Reading Independently	Read a range of genres, including short chapter books, independently at home and in school.	Encourage child to read for enjoyment independently.
Reading Comprehension	Be able to answer questions about a Year 4 text verbally and be developing detail in written comprehension answers.	Ask questions about their book while you read with them.
Writing		How you can help:
Handwriting	Be developing confidence using cursive joined handwriting in all written work.	Encourage neat, joined handwriting in homework book.
Spelling	Spell most common words taught correctly and know at least half of words from the Year 3/4 word list. Begin to spell words using spelling rules taught in term 3.	Practice spellings given each week in preparation for the test.
Writing	Be developing confidence writing sentences with accurate punctuation including capital letters, full stops, question and exclamation marks, commas and inverted commas. These should be beginning to form as paragraphs. Begin to vary sentence structures using a wider range of conjunctions and write for different reasons (fiction and nonfiction).	Support with any writing homework.
Maths		How you can help:
Number Bonds	Be confident recalling number bonds to 20 and 50 and apply these. Know how to add and subtract pairs of numbers with up to 4 digits.	Practice doing this with your child.
X tables	Know all x tables for instant recall. Begin to build up speed recalling these to prepare for Y4 Multiplication Check in June.	Practice asking your child these, use Purple Mash or find an online x table game.
Methods	To develop understanding of mental and written strategies for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.	Help your child with any homework using these methods.

Other useful Skills for Year 4	Complete homework including written practices of spellings and times tables practice. Ensure your child hands it in on time.
	Prepare and remember to bring PE and Forest School kit in for the correct day (you will need to remind children).
	To independently pack their own items before school and at the end of the day.