

PE and Swimming

Year 4 have swimming on a Tuesday morning. Please ensure your child has their swimming kits in school on this day.

Our other PE session is on Monday afternoon. Please ensure that your child has their PE kit on for both of these days.

Homework

Pupils receive homework every Friday. This includes:

- learning the weekly spellings
- reading each night for at least 15 minutes and having their reading record signed.
- grammar or reading comprehension work
- maths

Homework needs to be returned by the following Wednesday when this will be marked in class. Your child will receive a stamp for each piece of work completed.

20 stamps by the end of term = a prize!

Year 4 Book Award Record - Awardright award

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| A funny book | E.B. White | A book that parents read as a child | Class Q Read | A book we find recommended |
| David Walliams | Read a book that became a movie | A book of non-fiction | A lot of interesting things to make something | An adventure story |
| My class prize | Your choice | Your choice | Your choice | Your choice |
| Read a book from a series | Maria Montessori | A chapter book | Jeremy Strong | A book my teacher recommended |
| A book about another culture | S.F. Said | A book about an invention | A book with more than 100 pages | Enid Blyton |

Bronze Award
 The highest 10% of the book challenge

Silver Award
 The highest 25% of the book challenge

Gold Award
 The highest 50% of the book challenge

Read 10 books
 Complete and copy into
 the book form

Reading Challenge

The aim is to complete the Book Award challenge by the end of the academic year. Reading 10 books each term will help to keep you on track to be entered in for a star prize!

Parent's Evening

If you have any queries during the year, please come and speak to your child's class teacher.

We look forward to talking to you about how your child has settled in. These meetings are scheduled for 9th and 10th November from 3.30 – 6.30pm. Information will be sent closer to the date with how to make an appointment.



Curriculum on a Page for

Parents

Year 4

Autumn Term



Writing

We are learning about fables, focussing on those written by Aesop. Children will be focussing on the use of descriptive language in their fable e.g use of adjectives and adverbial phrases. Spellings will be given out on a Friday and will be tested the following Thursday. We will be learning them in school, but would like your support to practise these at home. It is important that these are practised, as we expect our pupils to use them in their writing.



Science

As scientists, we are learning about what makes something a living thing. We are using the acronym MRS GREW to help us remember all the features of a living thing.

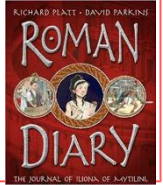
We will learn how to classify plants and animals according to their characteristics and variations.

Reading

We now have a 'Reading Squad' model, which means we read at least 3 times per week with an adult. We are developing our fluency and expression. We then explore different reading skills, such as inference and retrieval to answer comprehension questions.

Our class reading text that we are all enjoying is The Diary of a Roman girl by Richard Platt.

We will share with you all the recommended reads on the book award chart in the Welcome meeting.



History

As historians, this half term we will be learning about the Romans and considering the question: Can invasion be justified?. We will be expanding pupils understanding of chronology and they will use a range of historical sources to ask and infer information. We will be learning about key historical figures.

PSHE



This term we will be discussing what drugs are and how to be safe around medication.

Maths



As mathematicians, we will continue to revisit our number knowledge before building on this. Our main areas of focus will be place value and number. To enable the children to become confident with these skills, it is important that they are proficient with times tables. All children should regularly access Times Tables Rockstars, just like they did last year, so log in and see if you have what it takes to be a Rockstar.



DT

This half term pupils will be using tools to make a product. We will be exploring how tools impact the final product when constructing with materials.

Music

As musicians. We will be learning to play the flute as a whole class. We will begin to read music and learn about rhythm. These lessons are on a Wednesday so please ensure their instrument is in school.



RE

This term pupils will be learning about what it means if Christians believe in God.

We will take part in collective worship each day.



French

As linguists we will learn to understand and say the names of vegetables in French. We will learn to talk about food likes and dislikes. We will ask for someone's opinion in French, using Et toi ? or Tu aimes ... ? We will name and find places where French is spoken on a map. We will learn weather and transport words in French. We will learn days of the week in French. We will talk in French about ways in which people travel.