

Year 4 Curriculum Letter - Autumn 2025

Welcome back!

We are excited for the term's forthcoming events and the new learning that the children will acquire. This newsletter will provide you with information on the half term ahead. If you have any further queries, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Best wishes,
The Year 4 team

Galaxy Class - Ms Amina Rahman, Ms Bernice
Supernova Class- Miss Liddle, Ms Khaleda

Topic (History/ Geography)

Our new topic will be focusing on the Kingdom of Benin. The children will be learning about what Africa was like, the Benin Bronzes, sequencing events on a timeline and justifying their opinions.

English

This term in English we will begin by focusing on the story 'Shackleton's Journey'. They will create packing lists, letters (formal and informal), setting descriptions, interviews, diaries and a newspaper report.

Maths

Our focus of the term will be on addition/subtraction and multiplication/division. This will include developing strategies for solving column addition and subtraction; consolidating their times table knowledge and learning further times tables; solving multiplication and division problems. They will develop their reasoning skills by solving word problems.

Please continue to support your child at home by helping them to practice their maths facts and times tables as well as completing Mathematics tasks set.

Science

Our topic is Sound. The children will be investigating how sound travels, the pitch and volume created by different objects, learning about different musical instruments and creating their own paper cup telephones.

Music

This year the children will be having the wonderful experience of learning the ukulele. We will be continuing our Ukulele lessons in the coming weeks before performing to families on December 8th!

Reading

The children will continue to develop key skills such as predicting, making inferences, summarising and clarifying through the use of key texts such as 'The Undefeated' and 'Poems from a Green and Blue Planet'. **Please remember to hear your child read regularly and to sign their reading record.**

PE

Our lessons will take place on Monday and Thursday. Please make sure PE kits are worn on these days. Our first PE focus will be gymnastics and using the equipment safely. Swimming will continue to take place on Thursday afternoons.

Please ensure your child has a swimming hat as the swimming pool will only allow children to enter the pool if they are wearing a hat.

PSHE

The children will focus on the question 'Celebrating differences' They will discuss making assumptions based on what people look like, bullying and developing problem solving strategies.

RE

This term, the children will be exploring the key question 'What makes some texts sacred?'

Spanish

The children will focus on learning greetings, numbers to 20, family members and colours.

Rough daily timetable:

9:00-9:30 Reading
9:30-10:40 English
BREAK
11:00-12:15 Maths
12:15-12:30 Assembly/Handwriting
LUNCH
1:30-2:30
Topic/Science/Computing/P.E/Art/PSHE
2:30-3:20
Topic/Science/Computing/P.E/Art/PSHE

Dates for the diary:

05/11/25 - Classes to mark Diwali/ Guy Fawkes- Bonfire / fire work safety
10/11/25 - Anti Bullying week / Wear odd socks day
11/11/25 - Classes to mark Remembrance Day
14/11/25 Wear Odd Socks Day
17/11/25 - KS2 Maths coffee morning - Ms Ramen
05/12/25 - Winter Fair - 3.30pm
08/12/25 - Year 4 Ukulele concert 2:30pm
11/12/24 - Christmas Jumper Day
18/12/25 Class winter party
Christmas Holiday - Monday 22nd Dec - Friday 2nd January
Children return Tuesday, 6th January