

Summer 1



Year 4

Curriculum Newsletter

Welcome back!

We hope everyone had an enjoyable break and managed to enjoy the small sprinkling of sunshine that we had! We have lots of exciting learning opportunities for the children this half term. We look forward to working with you to support your child's learning over the term.

Year 4 Homework

Please take a look at the Homework grid for the new homework, we look forward to celebrating the children's creative skills and hard work just before the end of term. As always, the children continue to impress us with all of their efforts with homework at home across the term- well done to everyone who completed their homework last term. Thank you to adults at home for all of the support provided to ensure that homework is completed on time too!

The Curriculum

English

We are starting this term off by looking at an alternative traditional tale of Little Red Riding Hood, where we will be using the book 'Little Red' by Bethan Woollvin as a stimulus for writing our own alternative traditional tale. We will also be looking at poetry this half term. Our grammar focus will be on prepositional phrases and ensuring that we are using speech punctuation accurately. We will continue to have daily reading lessons, with a focus on fluency, prosody and comprehension.

Maths

There are three main topics in Maths this half term. In decimals we will be looking at hundredths and how to partition decimal numbers. Money comes next with children calculating money and using their problem-solving skills. We finish the half term by studying shape.

Other Curriculum Subjects

Science: Living things and habitats is the topic for Science. We will be classifying different creatures and looking at different environments. We will also look at food chains.

Geography: Within Geography, we will be investigating the following enquiry question: Why are jungles so wet and deserts so dry?

R.E: In RE we are studying Islam covering, 'What is the best way for a Muslim to lead a good life?'

Computing: This term we move on to spreadsheets. We will be using 2 Calculate to create spreadsheets to represent and interpret data including using the line graph tool.

DT: During DT this term we will be looking at alarms with the children making their own alarm for a model vehicle.

Music: We are using i-Pads to cover music technology, using Purple Mash

P.E: This term we are covering tennis and athletics

PSHE: This term the focus is on relationships- particularly friendships and how to help themselves and others when they feel hurt or upset

Diary Dates

Monday 6th May- Bank Holiday

Friday 24th May- End of Summer Term 1

Monday 3rd June- Start of Summer Term 2

Thursday 20th June- Year 4 Trip to Bradwell Abbey. A letter has gone out about this already, but is also attached for you as a reminder as payment is required for this prior to the trip.

Reading

Please take the time to hear your child read 5 times a week and record this in the reading record book. When your child is independently reading, they are also expected to record this in their reading record book.

Reading books & record books must be in school every day.

Year 4 Multiplication Check

Please support your child with the learning of their times tables using TTRS or hit the button or writing them out on paper.

Between 3rd-14th June

the children will be completing their Multiplication Check

online. A reminder about the expectations for this is attached to this newsletter for you.

Things to Remember!

Children come to school in their PE kits on their PE day which is **Monday** and **Wednesday**.

Long hair should be tied back and any earrings should be studs or small hoops.

If your child has a club after school, they **must** come to school in their uniform and bring their PE kit to change into unless it's their PE day.

As the weather warms up please remember to send children in with a water bottle and hat.