

WELCOME TO 2025!

Welcome to the Year 4 homepage! Myself, Mrs Reid, Mrs Bako and Mrs Stothers would like to welcome the children back to school ready for the New Year and term ahead!

Dates for your diary

- Whole School Mass 13.1.24
- Class Assembly 21.1.24
- Local River Field Trip - date to be confirmed

PE will be on a Monday and a Thursday for this term. Please can children bring PE kits to school on Monday and leave them in school all week, before taking them home on Friday.

Homework unless otherwise stated will be reading 3 -4 nights per week or daily if possible and recorded in their Reading Record Book. Reading comprehension questions in their reading Challenge Book, TT Rockstars, x table practice 3 -4 nights per week and Mathletics. The children will have a Tables Test in Summer Term so lots of practise will be welcome, so they build their fluency and knowledge. We will keep in touch with you via Seesaw, email and text. You can contact us on Seesaw messages. For any extra homework, the children are advised to complete Mathletics activities to achieve their target of 1,000 points per week. It would be fantastic for every child to read at home for 10 -15 minutes per day to develop their reading fluency and comprehension.

Spring curriculum.

R.E.

In our new RE curriculum this term we will be focusing on Galilee to Jerusalem. We will explore scripture on the miracles of Jesus from the New Testament and his relationship with John the Baptist and Peter. We will understand how this relates to our own lives and the lives of others in our communities. We will learn about the Sacraments focusing on the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the Sacrament of the Sick.

After half term, we will focus on the Desert to Garden understanding the importance of Lent. We will explore scripture from the New Testament learn about the Corporal Works of Mercy and looking in-depth at the events leading up to the Crucifixion of Jesus.

Literacy

During our English work this term, we will be engaging in a variety of written forms including poetry, diary writing and a non-chronological report on the Anglo Saxons. We will be studying the works of a Poet, John Lyons and writing our own free verse poems. The children will practice using interesting and imaginative vocabulary to add detail to their descriptions, and will develop their ability to use conjunctions, develop their use of clauses, adverbials, expanded noun phrases and the use of speech dialogue within their writing.

We will carry out spelling, punctuation and grammar (SPaG) lessons three times per week. During these sessions we will practise different spelling rules and understand grammar terms such as nouns, adjectives, adverbs and verbs.

Each day, the children will have a quiet reading session where they read and complete quizzes based on their book using Accelerated Reader. They will also have Reading for Pleasure time and weekly Book Talk sessions where they can share books with each other.

Numeracy

Our numeracy lessons will primarily follow the White Rose Maths scheme of work. This term we will focus on multiplication, length, perimeter and fractions. The children will learn how to calculate perimeter and solve simple problems using fractions. We will then move on to understanding decimals and their equivalents. We also have daily arithmetic and x tables practice to support the children in their number fluency and understanding.

Science

Our science topics this term are 'States of Matter' and 'Electricity.' We will carry out various practical activities and investigations linked to these topics.

History/Geography

During this term we will be finishing our topic on the Egyptians and then learning about rivers, how they are formed and their importance. During the term, the children will have a field trip to undertake a study on a local river. After half term, we will return to a History topic exploring the Anglo-Saxons period. Watch out on Seesaw for further information and what activities the children are doing.

PE

During this term the children will be having an external coach each week to develop our football skills and sessions on learning how to improve their fitness. Please can children bring their P.E. kits into school on a Monday and leave in school all week before taking home on a Friday.

PSHE

During this term our topics will include learning about 'Resilience' and 'Care' of ourselves and others.

Art & Design

We will work on a Design and Technology topic where they will explore and bake a simple biscuit recipe, they will then design, market and bake their own developed recipe. After half term, we will be exploring the use of 3D effects and sculpture techniques using mega materials.

If you have any questions about Year 4, please feel free to get in touch via Seesaw or pop and see me beginning or end of day. We look forward to the New Year ahead!