

Year 4 News

Summer Term 2021

We were so pleased with the number of children who engaged in our remote learning last term and we were delighted to welcome all the children back in March. We will be continuing to encourage regular hand washing and keeping safe this term.

Important Dates this term

Week beginning 3rd May: Parent Consultations - more information to follow

Week beginning 10th May: Equalities and Diversity Week

The children will be exploring the themes of prejudice, discrimination, exclusion, human rights and injustice in their learning

Week beginning 7th June: Effort and Excellence Awards - we will be in touch with the names of the children who have been chosen to receive a special award

Week beginning 14th June: National Health Week - the children will be taking part in a range of activities focused on promoting healthy lifestyles through healthy eating and physical exercise

Week beginning 5th July: End of Year Reports - more information to follow

Week beginning 12th July: Moving up week - more information to follow

PE days are:

This term, Year 4 will have **outdoor PE** on a **Tuesday**. On Mondays, we may sometimes go into the forest or visit Bramblefields as part of our Art Project. For PE lessons, children should have a named PE kit containing a jumper, t-shirt, shorts or trousers and suitable trainers. For the forest, they may also need hats/wellies/waterproofs depending on the weather.

Welcome back to a new term. Below you will find lots of important information about what your child will be doing in school this term. Otters class will be taught by Miss Ullmann and Squirrels class will be taught by Miss Irvine. Miss Walmsley will be teaching Otters on Tuesdays and Wednesdays and Mrs Swann will be teaching Squirrels on Wednesdays.



Learning opportunities

This term the children will be studying lots of exciting themes through a range of subjects:

English

Writing – In English we will be studying narrative texts, focusing on historical and fantasy stories as well as playscripts. We will also be studying non-fiction genres such as explanation texts.

Reading – We will be reading a range of books including a non-fiction book linked to our Viking topic as well as a series of poems. We will be focusing on inference skills as well as explaining the meaning of words in context.

Spelling – We will be teaching discrete spelling lessons linked to the Year 3 and 4 Statutory words.

Handwriting – We will continue to use the Nelson Handwriting scheme to support children with their letter formation, joining and overall presentation in our lined exercise books.

Mathematics - Children will be developing their fluency with number through a range of daily arithmetic activities.

Decimals – We will be focusing on recognising tenths and hundredths as well as comparing, ordering and rounding decimals.

Measurement – We will be focusing on Money and Time.

Statistic – We will be interpreting charts and line graphs.

Geometry – We will be studying properties of shape and describing position and movement on grids.

Outdoor Learning – We will be visiting the nature area on a regular basis especially through our work with the Art Project.

History - This term, we are studying Vikings and we will be learning about some notable Norse explorers such as Leif Eriksson and we will also be studying the Viking raids.



Art – This term we will be learning a range of artistic skills through our work with the Art Project.

Computing – We will be using Purple Mash to support our learning with a focus on Coding.

Languages – In French, we will be learning to count to 20, say how old we are, name colours, fruit, days of the week and months of the year in French.

Music - Year 4 are being taught Music by Mrs Barlow and Mrs Bell and this term they are focussing on Pitch and learning the pentatonic scale with instruments.

Physical Education – We will be focusing on Athletics.

Religious Education – We will be studying the topics 'Identity and Belonging' and 'Christianity: The Creation of our World'.

Personal, Social and Health Education (PSHE) – We will be teaching the following topics; 'Drug Education', 'Healthy Lifestyles', 'RSE - focusing on body parts, the human lifecycle and what it means to be 'grown up.' and 'Managing Change'.

Science – We will be studying electrical circuits and continuing to investigate materials.

Geography – We will be undergoing some fieldwork and orienteering as well as studying international trade.



You can help your child at home by:

Practising number bonds and times tables

Reading and practising weekly spellings

