

Autumn Term - Key Stage 2

Year 4



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back and welcome to Year 4! We hope you had a great summer.

This newsletter outlines some of the topics and areas that your children will be learning about this term. We hope that you find it informative and useful and we look forward to working with you this year.

Many thanks,

Mrs Jopson, Miss Saunders and Miss Stockton—The Year Four Team

LITERACY

Our English learning this term will be based on the Power of Reading books *Varjak Paw* and *The Tinderbox*. Please do not read these books in advance to your child at home, so it allows the children to use their predictive skills in school. There is a sequel to *Varjak Paw* called *The Outlaw Varjak Paw*, which would be interesting for the children to read once they have finished the first story.

NUMERACY

In Year 4, mental maths will focus on times tables up to 12x12, and related division facts. Children are expected to know all their times tables by the end of Year 4. Your child will be tested on their times tables weekly.

This half term we will be focusing on place value of numbers, to ensure children are secure with this. Towards the end of the half term, we will move on to addition and subtraction using up to four-digit numbers.

History topic

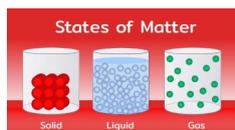
Temples, Tombs and Treasures.



Science topics

States of matter

Electricity



NEWS

Please ensure that all school uniform and equipment is clearly named, including their PE kit. Please make sure your child has blue and black pens, a pencil, a ruler and a glue stick.



Dates for your diary

25th-26th September	Individual Photos
3rd October	Happy's Circus
18th October	Nasal Flu Vaccinations
21st-25th October	Half Term
28th October	Inset day
29th and 30th October	Parents evenings
19th December	End of Term

The children will receive a 'homework menu' at the beginning of each half term with 8 possible tasks and additional challenge tasks. The maths and English tasks are compulsory, however if children complete more than this, they will receive a higher award. Your class teacher will notify you when to hand the homework book in. Please ensure that your child reads for a minimum of 15 minutes at least 3 times a week.

Please ensure PE kits are in school at the start of term. It is important that the children have a tracksuit and trainers in school for outdoor PE in cold weather, as the children still go outside.

PE days are as follows:

4J-Wednesday and Friday

4N-Tuesday and Wednesday

4S-Tuesday and Wednesday