

A Guide to Year 4

Homework

Written homework will be limited to once a week initially and will be given on a Friday and must be handed in by the following Thursday. It is vital it is returned on time as we use it to support learning in class that day. Homework will vary between English and Maths. The children will be able to choose a reading book and the accompanying reading record should be brought in every Tuesday so that reading at home can be monitored. Please encourage reading for enjoyment as regularly as possible.

PE kits need to be in school every **Thursday**. PE is outdoor this half term, please ensure your child has an outdoor PE kit including black tracksuit bottoms, a black tracksuit top and trainers.

Your child should have a water bottle in school. **everyday**. School can be very warm and all children should be able to have a drink when needed.

Spellings

The children will be tested weekly on their spellings and times tables every **Tuesday**. Please encourage your children to practise their spellings and times tables.

Finally, we hope the children are enjoying their time in Year 4, they have settled in well and made good progress last half term. I look forward to meeting you at the parent consultations in a few weeks and we thank you for the on-going support. As always, any problems, concerns, or questions please don't hesitate to see one of us or message via Clasdojo. Thank you.

Miss Fahy and Mrs Casey.

Year 4 Autumn Term 2 Newsletter



Welcome back,

We hope you all had an enjoyable holiday and that the children are refreshed and ready to work hard but also to enjoy the build up to Christmas. This newsletter aims to remind you about the weekly routines in year 4 and also inform you of what the children will be learning this half term.

This half term is going to be a busy one with lots of exciting events to look forward to. A very exciting date you may want for your diary is the Key stage 2 Christmas Service on Thursday 13th December.

Parents afternoon/evening will take place on the 19th and 20th November.

Many Thanks, Miss Fahy and Mrs Casey

Autumn Term 2—Curriculum Map

English

During this half term we will be reading and completing work around the book 'Georges Marvellous Medicine' by **Roald Dahl**. The children will have fun looking at his use of vocabulary, describing characters, writing and making their own 'marvellous' recipe. They will then use these experiences to draft, edit and present a piece of writing related to the work on Roald Dahl. The children will also have plenty of opportunity to put their ICT skills to good effect as they use ipads and computers to support their work. Spellings, punctuation and grammar (SPaG) will feature in most English lessons and the children will complete weekly handwriting practise.

Maths

The focus this half term will be on addition and subtraction. Times tables will continue to be a focus, the children should be practising their times tables every week. The children have times table charts in school and we will have a times tables test every Tuesday. Please encourage your child to learn their times tables. A few times table questions each day, to work out as quickly as they can, will help to improve the speed of their recall. All children nationally are expected to know all the times tables up to 12x12 by the end of Year 4.

Science

The topic the children will focus on this half term is Animals including Humans. The children will learn about the difference between animals and humans including what they eat and where they live. Mrs Hughes will teach Science this half term.

RE

This half term our topic will be Trust in God. The children will be learning about why we trust in God and how he is always with us to help us through our day to day challenges.

Art

This half term we will be focusing on Tudor portraits, the children will get the opportunity to draw their own Tudor portrait.

DT

This half term we will be focusing on Art.

Computing

The children will develop their word processing skills. The children will learn how to manipulate text in different ways, how to format an image and how to use the spellcheck tool.

PE

This term PE will be taught by Tom from Leeds United.. The children will focus on... There will also be regular opportunities to develop fitness throughout the year.

History

Tudors will be our topic this half term. We will continue to develop our knowledge of Henry VIII and his role within the Tudor times.

Geography

This half term our focus will be on History.

Music

This half term the children will focus on making descriptive pictures using music. Mrs Hughes will teach Music this half term.

MFL

The children will have the opportunity to learn some Spanish this year. We will focus on a variety of topics including numbers, days of the week and months of the year.