

Year 4 Curriculum Newsletter Spring Term 2025

Welcome back! We hope you enjoyed your break. Below is a selection of the areas that your child will be studying over the next term.

Class texts

Our whole class reading text this term is 'The Iron Man' and 'The lion, the witch and the wardrobe'. Children will be looking at character development and will be exposed to a wide range inference, vocabulary and retrieval questions linked to the chapters.

English

In our English Unit this half term is 'Arthur and the Golden Rope'. Children will be exploring the use of persuasive language, first-person descriptions and be exposed to a range of high-level vocabulary which can be applied cross-curricular. We will also be exploring a film unit.

Science

This term we will be looking at Electricity. Children will recognise some common conductors and insulators. Their investigation will involve identifying whether a lamp will light in a simple series circuit. In the second half term, we will be looking at states of matter. Pupils will be exploring the characteristics of solids, liquids, and gases.

Geography

This term we will be learning about Biomes. We will explore a range of biomes from around the world and how plants and animals have adapted to survive in extreme environments. The children will be writing a non-chronological report creating their own headings and subheadings. In spring 2, pupils will learn about rainforests and the importance of the fantastic habitats for wildlife.

Maths

This term in maths we will be focusing on multiplication and division. Children will be identifying factors pairs and using them to support their mental calculation and inverse. Pupils will also use a range of mathematical resources to multiply and divide by 10 and 100. Children will then learn how to measure length and calculate perimeter.

History

We be exploring The Windrush. Children will learn about the history of the Windrush Generation, influences in past and present Great Britain and to understand that British culture has been influenced by several different cultures. Children will answer the big question; how has the Windrush generation influenced British culture?

Computing

This term we will be looking at Spreadsheets. Children will learn how to format cells, create pie charts and graphs. In the second term, pupils will be using programmes to write for different audience. They will be designing a news report and writing for a campaign.

RE

Initially, we will be looking at Islam, focusing on the beliefs and worship of this religion. In the second half of the term, our topic is Buddhism, and we will be focusing on what it means to be Buddhist and looking at places of worship.

PSHE

This term pupils will be exploring the topic 'Living in the Wider World'. This unit of learning focuses on jobs pupils can do when they are older, emotions and things we need to pay for as we get older.

REMINDER

- **Read** every day for 20 minutes at least and ensure an adult sign their reading record everyday once the child has written a sentence.
- Practise their **times tables** on TTRS.
- Practise their spellings ready for their test each Monday.
- **Homework** is sent home on Monday and must be returned on the following Monday (including purple mash)
- Authorised Full PE kit should be worn on PE days (this varies depending on the class and the term)
- Please come and speak to any member of the Year 4 team if you have any questions.