



Year 4 Curriculum Newsletter **Autumn Term 2026**

Dear Parents & Carers,

We are delighted to welcome everyone back to school after the summer break. We hope you are all well rested and ready for an exciting term of learning ahead. Please find below a summary of the main learning areas during the next term, as well as some general reminders.

Homework

Children will be set 15 games of Times Table Rockstars to complete weekly. As this an expectation for all, any games that aren't completed will be made up in the children's own time. In Year 4, all children will sit the Multiplication Times Table Check (MTC). This is a national assessment to check that all children know their multiplication table facts up to 12x12. Support to help children learn those key facts at home will be hugely beneficial for your child when it comes to the check in June. Weekly spellings on EdShed will also be set to go alongside what the children will be learning in school.

Reading

Children will read their AR (or phonic) book in school for 10 minutes each day in class and have the opportunity to read to their teacher. Children will have a Reading Record that books or any form of reading (blogs, news articles, recipes, poems, etc. – this could also be their AR/phonic book) that are read or shared at home can be written in and communicated. Teachers in school can then see this and discuss and celebrate the reading. Reading records are checked every **Monday**.

P.E.

P.E. will be on **Tuesday** for Year 4. Please could your child bring their PE kit in on a Monday to ensure they have it in school in case of any changes to our routine.

The weather can be rather unpredictable which makes it vitally important that children have the appropriate clothing and footwear in school for P.E. lessons to ensure that they get the best out of their lessons. P.E. uniform consists of a white t-shirt, navy shorts (no cycling shorts please), pumps/trainers, a warm plain navy top and navy jogging trousers (not leggings). A change of shoes is particularly useful when the ground is wet and muddy. **Please be aware that children must have their P.E. kit in school all week otherwise they cannot participate.** To make sure we can keep your children safe during their P.E. sessions, please tie up long hair. Your child will be asked to remove their earrings on days that they have P.E. Any other jewellery should not be worn to school.

Thank you.

Mrs Bird and Miss Bradbeer

Autumn Term 2026 - Curriculum Areas for Year 4



In music, we will be learning about body and tuned percussion, creating group compositions. In computing, we will be creating digital media, designing websites.



In French, we will be learning how to speak about our hobbies and learning French verbs. We will also be learning how to ask and answer questions.



In science, we will be learning about living things and their habitats, particularly categorising them. Then we will be learning about electricity and electrical systems.



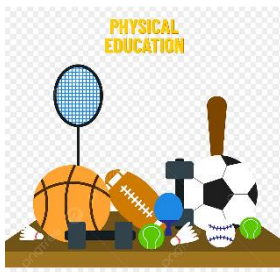
In art, we will be focusing on drawing, exploring textures, tones and proportion. We will use these skills to create realistic drawings inspired by artists.



In religion and world views, we will be discussing the question 'Are all religions equal?' We will be looking at various religions, comparing and contrasting them.



In history, we will be learning about children's lives and how they have changed throughout different time periods. In geography, we will be learning why rainforests are important to us.



In PE, we will be taking part in hockey and dance. We will be focusing on the skills of teamwork, making sure we are being respectful and safe within it.



In DT, we will be looking at and studying torches, making our own electrical systems. We will be using success criteria to ensure our designs are successful.



In PSHE, we will be looking at 'being me in my world' and 'celebrating differences'. We will be doing lots of discussion and collaboration.