

Curriculum Information Y4 – Term 1, 2023

Our key focus is 'Cohesion' this term.

English

We will be looking at different styles of writing through 'The Write Stuff' approach. Our focus will be poetry and narrative (stories). We will also be writing letters and information texts through our topic learning.

Please encourage your child to read a wide range of texts to give them ideas for their own writing in school. Please encourage your child to practise reading and spelling the 'Common Exception Words' at home and to read five times per week.



Maths

The focus will be place value (including 4-digit numbers and negative numbers) alongside calculations using + - x and ÷. We will also be practising times tables with a weekly 'beat the clock' speed recall session. **Please help your child at home by practising their tables, and involving them in 'everyday' maths such as cooking, measuring, time and money.**



Science – Sound

We will be learning about how sound is made, how sound travels and what happens to sound in different situations.

Geography – Rivers (The Water Cycle)

Our focus will be 'The Water Cycle' but we will link this to learning about rivers and the features of them.

Art and Design

We will be exploring cartoon drawing and illustrations. Children will design their own characters leading to making a 3D model.

Computing – Computer Networks



As well as using computers to create presentations, we will be learning about computer networks and the internet, including online safety.

Religious Education – Hinduism

We will learn about worship and festivals including key Hindu beliefs.

History – Vikings and Anglo Saxons

We will learn about significant events from this era and use chronology to put them in order.

PSHE (Personal, Social and Health Education)

The focus will be learning about how we keep our bodies healthy through eating and

exercise. We will explore sugar, salt and fat as well as the main food groups.

Music

We will be using the scheme 'Music Express' topic Ancient Worlds. Our focus will be musical structure.



Modern Foreign Languages - Spanish

We will be taking part in simple conversations, and begin to read and write these phrases.



P.E. – Gymnastics and Boxercise

Our visiting sports coaches will be leading sessions on

Mondays and Wednesdays. Your child can come to school in their PE kits on those days. If your child wears a skirt, they can bring a pair of school shorts for yoga too.

E.D.I

We will develop our understanding of acceptance and challenging stereotypes.



In Year 4, we are now called the 'Archaeologists' because we are going to dig further and find out more, about as much as we can.

We are looking forward to a super year with your child. Please do not hesitate to speak to us if you have any queries and we will be happy to help you.

General Information

Regular updates will be posted on Facebook/Twitter, so please remember to check for any news, information and photographs.

Year 4 will be leading the Harvest Festival this term so this will be our main theme for the first few weeks. We would be very grateful if you can bring in

empty cardboard boxes that we will decorate in school ready to use as the harvest hampers. The date of the Harvest Festival is to follow.

Homework Activities

Home **reading** will continue to be the best way for you to support your child.

We also welcome any **research** and extra learning that children choose to do at home themselves based on our topics, so please make sure that they bring it in to show us and we would love to display it!

You will have received **Knowledge Organisers** for some subjects. These are for your child to use as extra reading opportunities and to revise any learning that we are doing in school. These are also published on the website and will be available on your child's One Note through Teams.