



Newsletter

Autumn Term



Welcome to Year 4

Welcome back, we hope you have had a wonderful Summer break. We are looking forward to welcoming you into Year 4.

As we enter a new term, we are providing you with this newsletter to share some important information about what your children will be learning and give you notice about some exciting events we have planned for the Autumn term.

Our Topic: Invaders and Settlers

During the Autumn term we will be taking a History lead and focusing our learning on an in-depth study of the Romans, Anglo- Saxons and Vikings.

As authors we will begin by reading a story called 'Romans on the Rampage' by Jeremy Strong and then writing a recount of a Roman battle.

We will also be reading 'Viking Boy' by Tony Bradman and writing our own stories along a similar theme.

Beware, we are dealing with invading and conquering and stories can be pretty gruesome at times!



History

As historians, we will be completing an in-depth study of the Roman and Viking invasions of Britain. We will be looking at how the Romans and Vikings invaded Britain and how Britain changed after they settled.

To immerse the children in this topic we have an all-day Roman experience planned. We are really looking forward to this exciting workshop.

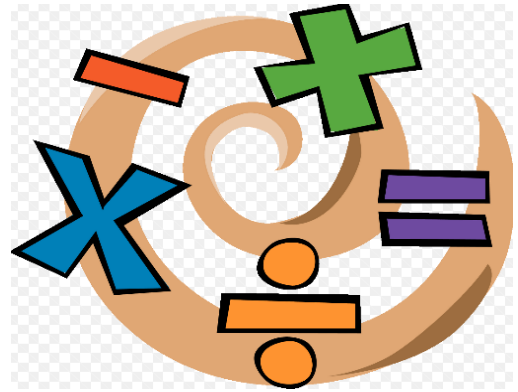
Maths

During this term we will be mathematicians. We will be developing our knowledge of place value (numbers beyond 1,000), addition & subtraction, multiplication & division and measurement, length and perimeter.

Statutory National Times Table Test

We are focusing on Times Tables with the 'Multiplication Tables Check' which is statutory for all Year 4 pupils this academic year. The purpose of this test is to determine whether pupils can recall their times tables fluently, which is essential for future success in mathematics. It is an online test and children are expected to answer a question within 6 seconds so it is vital that they have rapid recall of all times tables up to 12×12 .

Children will be given a times table to learn each week and will be tested on a Friday.



Science

As scientists we will be focussing on circuits and electricity with lots of opportunities for hands on learning. We will then move onto investigating sound. In Year 4 we will also be making use of the school's Science Lab (STEM Lab) to enhance the children's learning experience.

Art

In Art we will be exploring tones, shading and depth to create a portrait of a Roman Emperor using a range of pencils.



We will then move onto a study of clay, the children will build their knowledge of tools and how they can use them to add detail to their design and join clay together. As a final piece they will use their knowledge and skills to create a Viking clay tile.



Homework

On Monday, spellings will be given out and tested the following Monday.

On Friday, times tables will be given out and tested the following Friday.

We understand that you have all invested a lot of time in Year 3 learning your multiplication tables. In Year 4 we will be revising, consolidating and building on this, ready for the Year 4 Multiplication Test in June.

It continues to be crucially important that children continue to read every day, this not only develops their comprehension and fluency as readers but also their development as writers as they progress through school.

Dates For Your Diary

PE

Every Monday and Wednesday

Swimming on a Friday

Roman Day

Tuesday 14th October

Break up for Half Term:

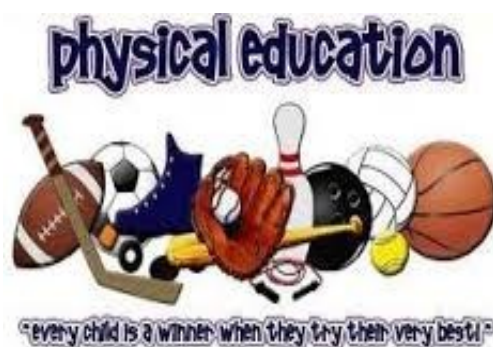
Friday 17th October 2025



PE

Our PE days this term will be Monday and Wednesday

Your child is required to wear a white t-shirt and dark coloured shorts. After half term, it will be outdoor PE and your child will need to have dark coloured joggers and jumper, especially as the weather gets colder.



Please make sure your child has a named PE kit in school.

Friday PE session this term will be Swimming at the Rebecca Adlington Swimming Centre,

Year 4 Teaching Team

Miss Mozley and Mrs Simmons -
Teacher

Mrs Wheatley - Teaching Assistant

Book Donations for Year 4 Reading for Pleasure Sessions

Last year, our reading survey revealed that children in Year 4 particularly enjoyed reading **children's recipes books, comics, maps and adventurous, funny books.**

If you have any of these types of books at home that your child has finished with, we would be very grateful if you could consider donating them to our class. These donations will help us build a more engaging and enjoyable selection of books for our **Reading for Pleasure** sessions at the end of each day.

Thank you for your continued support!