

Year 4 Curriculum Newsletter

Summer Term 2023

Welcome back to school, I hope you have had a lovely Easter break.

English

This term our English works shall directly link to different texts. During Summer 1 we shall be studying 'Egyptian Cinderella' by Shirley Climo, to link in with history. After half term we shall read and focus the traditional version of 'The Pied Piper of Hamelin'.

Our class novel shall be The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe.



How to help your child in English.

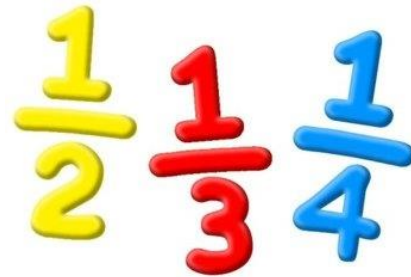
Ensure your child is reading daily. If they choose to read independently, ask them questions about what they have just read, to ensure they have understanding of the text. This is just as important as the reading itself.

Help them learn the year 4 spelling words, sent home at the beginning of the year. Please ask me if you need a new copy. **Spelling frame:** encourage children to practise their spellings in a fun and engaging way.

Maths

In maths we will be continuing to consolidate our place value knowledge. We will also be working with and building upon our use of negative numbers.

We shall be having a big push on fractions and becoming even more confident at using them effectively.



How to help your child in Maths

By the end of year 4 your child needs to know and be confident at all their times tables to 12x12. Please practise times tables regularly with your child, whether this maybe during a car journey or whilst they are washing up.

Your child should be confident at recognising key fraction and decimal equivalents.

$$\frac{1}{2} = 0.5 \quad \frac{1}{4} = 0.25 \quad \frac{3}{4} = 0.75$$

$$1/10 = 0.1 \quad 1/100 = 0.01$$

Keep practising these to ensure they are confident at recognising them.

Science

Our science topics are electricity and sound. During electricity we will be looking at what electricity is, and how circuits are made. We shall be learning about the ear, and how it works. Helping us find out about how we hear and how sounds are created.



History

Our history topic this half term is all about the Ancient Egypt. We shall be looking into the life of an Ancient Egyptians and the impact they had on the rest of the world.

Art

In art we shall be looking at the artist L.S Lowry, before creating our own work in his style.

Computing

We will be looking at emails, and how to send them safely. We shall consolidate our coding skills using the code.org website.

PSHE

In PSHE our topics are keeping safe and taking risks.

RE

The children will be learning about churches and finding out if they are all the same.

General Notices

We are fortunate to be having cooking workshops on a Thursday afternoon.

PE for this half term will be on Monday and Tuesday, PE kit needs to be in school every day.

Summer term homework has been sent out. As in previous years we have set outdoor challenges please tweet or photograph them completing their task.

Ukulele lessons continue to take place on a Monday afternoon.

As always, if you have any questions or need support, please don't hesitate to contact me on Class Dojo. If urgent please leave a message at the school office.

Mrs Lowe & Mrs Pope-Jones