



## Year 4 Spring 2 Newsletter 2022

### Meet the Team



Ms Allsopp  
4A Teacher



Mrs Jusab  
4B Teacher



Ms Dyoki  
TA



Mr Watson  
TA



Miss Climance  
TA



Mr Farajallah  
TA

### Reading and Writing

This term we continue to adopt a text-based approach to our literacy and topic lessons. This half term, our first book will be 'Wisp' by Zana Fraillon underpinning key themes: Refugee living, home, hope and freedom. Our second key text will be 'Beowulf' by Michael Morpurgo, an epic Anglo-Saxon legend about strength, courage and defeat

### Maths

This half term, children will be expected to apply their knowledge of the four operations and we will focus on multiplication and division, recognising and solving problems with fractions and decimals, learning to tell the time and solving problems with money using the decimal notation.

Regular times table practise will continue to be a focus. It is an expectation that by May, all children know all of their times tables and have rapid recall of them in random order. Children must practise daily at home.

### Curriculum

We will be continuing with our thematic curriculum that creates meaningful links between the children's learning in English, science, humanities and creative arts with our key text as the main driver.

Science: Children will work scientifically to explore pitch and volume and complete an investigation involving soundproofing.

Art: Children create a drawing and painting of the local environment. They will explore the use of light and dark in painting with a focus on colour mixing, tint, tone and shade.

History: Children will study who the Anglo Saxons and Vikings were as well as why they invaded and settled in Britain.

### Homework

We will be using Seesaw, Diagnostics maths and Times Table Rock Stars (TTRS) to set homework. Homework will be issued every Monday. In addition to this homework, all children should read daily at home. A comment in their reading diary is required at least **three times** a week to show they have read and had a discussion about their reading. All homework is posted on Seesaw every Monday.

### Year 4

In Year 4, all children will continue to attend swimming lessons. Year 4 will go swimming on Tuesdays. Children must have the correct swimming kit in school every Monday ready to go swimming on Tuesday. Earrings and any other jewellery is not allowed to be worn on swimming days. These items must be removed by parents/carers at home.

PSHE: Children will learn how to live a healthy lifestyle.

RE: Children will explore the question: What does the word 'Inspiring' mean?



## Year 4 Date & Routines

Things I must remember:

<b>Mondays</b>	<b>Tuesdays</b>	<b>Wednesdays</b>	<b>Thursdays</b>	<b>Fridays</b>
Bring your swimming kit to school ready for Tuesday.  I have a times table test today.	Swimming	I have a times table test today.		I have a times table test today.  I have a spelling test today.  I must check Seesaw to see what my homework is for this week.

### **Year 4 School Entrance Point:**

All Year 4 children should be dropped off in the morning between 8:40am -9:00am. **Lessons start at 9am.** A member of staff will always be present at the gate. Children will be greeted at their classroom door by their class teacher or the TA. Year 4 classroom doors face Clarence Road. We are situated in the separate block on the playground.

### **Year 4 School Exit Point:**

All Year 4 children should be picked up in the afternoon at 3:15pm. Adults waiting to pick children up are asked to wait behind the metal railings outside the Year 4 classroom doors. Please try to socially distance as best as possible.

## **Important Dates**

Monday 27th February 2023

Tuesday 28th February 2023

Friday 31st March 2023

**Staff Training Day - School Closed to Children**

School Re-opens at 8:40am

School Closes at 3:15pm

### **Summer Term**

Monday 17th April 2023

**Monday 1st May 2023**

**Monday 8th May 2023**

Thursday 25th May 2023

School Re-opens at 8:40am

**Bank Holiday (School is Closed for the day)**

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School Closes at 3:15pm