

Year 4 Newsletter

Summer 1



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Welcome to Year 4!

We are very excited to welcome everyone back this term.

In this newsletter, you will find out more about all the things we will be learning about during Summer 1.

Please ensure you have your PE kits in school ready for our lesson on **Wednesday**

Our wonderful team of adults are here to help you with your learning this year. If there is anything you need to ask, please send us an email or catch us at the end of the school day.

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Diary Dates

Bank Holidays 1st and 8th May

Newsletter challenge:

Together with your child, answer the questions on this newsletter and tick the boxes when you have!

Science

As scientist we are going to investigate different animals and their habitats.

In PSHE, we will be thinking about 'Relationships.' We will be learning about different emotions such as jealousy and loss and how to deal with these emotions.

Can you think of any strategies you use to help handle these emotions?

In RE, we will be learning about how Jewish people choose to share their commitment to God and the importance of bar and bat mitzvah for them.

What can you remember about Judaism?

As musicians this half term we will be learning about Samba and carnival sounds and South American instruments.

Spellings

We are continuing to learn our Year 4 spelling words and using them in our writing. If you would like a copy, please ask!

accident	century	experiment	linear	particular	remember
accidentally	certain	extreme	island	peculiar	reference
actual	circle	famous	knowledge	perhaps	separate
actually	complete	favourite	learn	popular	spedal
address	consider	February	length	posh	straight
answer	coffee	forward(s)	library	posses	strange
appear	decide	fun	material	possession	strength
arrive	describe	grammar	medicine	possible	suppose
believe	different	group	exercise	potatoes	surprise
bicycle	difficult	guard	minute	pressure	therefore
breath	disappear	guide	natural	probably	though
breathe	early	heard	roughly	promise	(if/though)
build	earth	heart	notice	purpose	though
busy	eight	height	occasional	quarter	through
business	slight	history	occasionally	question	various
calendar	enough	imagine	often	recent	weight
caught	exercise	increase	opposite	regular	woman
centre	experience	important	ordinary	reign	women

English

As writers this half term, we will be reading stories and poems about experiences of refugees. The stories and poems have a focus on the journeys made by refugees and we will reflect on how they are thinking and feeling.

We will write a recount of some of these journeys using our Year 4 writing skills. Our main focus will be on using sentence patterns for effect, paragraphs and writing cohesively.

Geography

As geographers we will be comparing and contrasting our local region of 'Cosham' with the region of the New Forest. We will identify human and physical features of both areas before analysing economic activity.

Can you think of the human and physical features in your local area?

Spanish

As linguists this half term we will be learning how to describe feeling unwell and symptoms of illnesses in Spanish whilst revising parts of the body too.

DT

As designers this half term we will be baking scones in honour of the King's coronation

Maths

As mathematicians this half term, we will be revisiting place value in numbers with up to four digits. We will apply our knowledge of addition and subtraction in different contexts before moving on to revisiting multiplication and division.

Can you remember how to use written multiplication? Try solving 36×8 to see if you can!

Computing

In Computing this half term, we are learning how we can use computers to collect data and also what we can learn from this data.

Home Learning

Try to read at least 4 times per week or even better, everyday for at least 20 minutes! Once you've finished your book you will be able to do an Accelerated Reader quiz and earn points!

Mrs Thomas is reading *The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas* by John Boyne

Miss Tyler is reading *The Northern Lights* by Philip Pullman