

Year 4 Newsletter

Spring 2



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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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Welcome to Year 4!

We are very excited to welcome everyone back this half term.

In this newsletter, you will find out more about all the things we will be learning about during Spring 2.

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

Newsletter challenge:

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

Diary Dates

Stubbington 26th — 28th February
World book day — Friday 8th March
Rainbow Day- Friday 15th March
Parents' Evenings- week beginning 25th March
INSET day—Thursday 28th March

Spellings

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

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

In PSHE, we will be thinking about 'Healthy Me'. We will spend time talking about what healthy friendships look like and ways we can deal with peer pressure.

Can you think of any ways to stay healthy and happy?

In RE, we will be learning about the Easter story and answer the key question: Is forgiveness always possible for Christians?

Can you find out more about the death and resurrection of Jesus?

As musicians this half term, we will continue to learn the ukulele. It's been great seeing the progress you have made since starting to learn the ukulele.

English

As writers this half term, we will start off reading and exploring Journey to Jo'burg. We will use it to revisit our Year 4 writing skills and learn more about conjunctions and subordinate clauses.

We will also support our knowledge of this book by reading more about South Africa and apartheid.

Can you find out anything about South Africa?

Spanish

As linguists this half term we will be naming and describing body parts in Spanish. We will then practise these using a variety of games before combining with our knowledge of numbers and colours in Spanish.

Can you remember colours in Spanish?

Maths

As mathematicians this half term, we will be revisiting place value in numbers with up to four digits. We will extend our knowledge of written methods in all four operations, especially multiplication and division. Times tables will also be a priority!

Remember to continue to practise your times tables at home. It is so important! The children who practise at home, are improving their speed and accuracy.

Science

As scientists, we will be investigating sound. Children will be exploring how different sounds are made and making links between musical concepts such as pitch and volume and the vibration of particles.

Can you go on a sound hunt at home?

DT

In Design & Technology, we will be designing and making our own bags.

What types of bags do you have in your home?

Computing

In computing, we will be audio editing. We will be recording and editing sounds.

What technology is around your home to record sounds?

Home Learning

Try to read at least 4 times per week or even better, everyday, for at least 20 minutes! Don't forget to tick your reading challenge — prizes can be won!