

Year 4 Learning Letter - Autumn 2

We have had a great start to the year and have really enjoyed getting to know all of the children in Year 4. They have worked fantastically hard and have already produced some wonderful pieces of work across all subjects. As we head towards Christmas, it is important that we continue with this momentum. This year, the children will be completing a multiplication test, so please continue to support your child with learning their times tables.



Please follow our Year 4 'X' for updates about what's happening in class

@Year4Monksdown

Important information for you

If you are sending your child in with a water bottle - please make sure it is only water.

Children should bring their reading books to school each day along with their reading records.

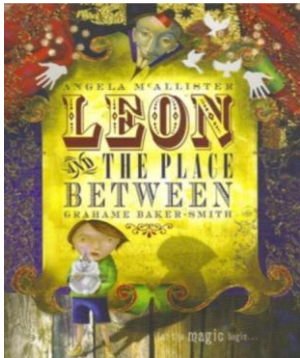
PE days for each class are

4.1	4.2	4.3
Thursday	Friday	Wednesday

Please ensure that your child's PE kit is in school, or that they come dressed in their PE kit.

Please read the Learning Grid on the other side for Y4 Homework.

English



We will be using the story 'Leon and the Place Between' by Grahame Baker Smith & Angela McAllister to develop writing skills this half term.

In our writing, we will plan our writing by discussing the structure, vocab and grammar of similar writing. We will discuss and record ideas and use these to create our own narratives, create settings, characters and plots. We will assess the effectiveness of our writing by focusing on applying taught skills within our own pieces of writing.

Maths

This half term, children will be focusing on:
Multiplication and division

- Times tables and their associated division facts
- Multiplying by 1 and 0
- Dividing a number by 1 and itself
- Multiplying 3 numbers
- Factors and multiples
- Multiplying by 10 and 100
- Dividing by 10 and 100
- Informal methods for multiplication
- Multiplying 2- and 3-digit numbers by 1 digit numbers
- Dividing 2- and 3- digit numbers by 1 digit numbers

$$123 \times 5$$

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Wider Curriculum in Year 4

History - Ancient Greece - Children will locate Greece on a world map and identify why the ancient Greeks were good sailors. They will explore how we know about the Ancient Greeks and discuss what life was like during that era. The children will learn about how the Greeks used to govern their cities and will also learn about some of the wars that took place. They will go on to learn about how Ancient Greece has influenced the rest of the World.

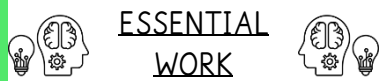
Computing - Scratch coding - Children will learn to use Scratch to code a simple game.

RE - When Jesus left, what was the impact of Pentecost? - Children will find out about the events of Pentecost found in the Bible.

PSHE - Celebrating differences - Children will learn to accept that everyone is different. They will learn how to help someone who is being bullied and learn how to give and receive compliments.

PE - Health related fitness - Children will explore stamina and the meaning of sustained physical exertion along with the importance of keeping physically active. The children will work on core strength, yoga and balancing techniques.

Art - Sketching - Children will practise different shading techniques to create their own 3D drawing of an Ancient Greek bust.



ESSENTIAL WORK



HOME LEARNING CHALLENGES



STAR CHALLENGES



Essential work

Read for 20 minutes each day or night at home

Find out about the Greek alphabet and present your findings in an exciting way, such as a song or poster.

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Design and make your own labyrinth. It could be made of straws, string or wood.



Make a Spartan helmet or design and create a shield.



Create your own 3D sketch of an object in your home.



Write up your own fitness regime and share in class.



Create your own game on Scratch based on what you have learned this term.



Essential work

Practise your times tables by playing on TTRS or MTC

Cook some Greek food or a meal. Write up the recipes. Can you include a photo of your creation too?



Research a winter festival celebrated by another culture, such as Hanukkah or Chinese New Year.



Make a holiday brochure showing ancient buildings and an interesting place to visit in Greece.

