

Year 4 Learning Letter

Welcome back to our final half term of Year 4. We have had a fantastic year so far and look forward to ending the year in great style with our trip, sports day, and other exciting events.

The children have worked really hard to improve their times tables and we hope that you will share in our congratulations to them for completing their multiplications check.

The hard work isn't finished yet though. We have lots of fun learning to complete and transition days to familiarise the children with their new teacher and classroom.

Mrs Lawrenson, Mrs Joynson and Miss Hardwick

Important information for you

As we are now in the final half term of this academic year, please ensure your child has a water bottle in school with them and on hotter days, please ensure that your child comes to school with sun cream already applied.

PE days for each class are

4.1	4.2	4.3
Tuesday	Friday	Friday

- Please read the homework grid on the other side for Y4 Homework
- Our school trip to Chester will take place on **Wednesday 15th July.**

English



This half term we will be studying the book 'Blue John' by Berlie Doherty. At the end of the unit, we will be Writing a letter in role as an expert containing an explanation about cave formation.

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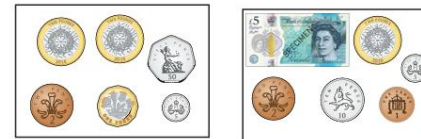
- plan our writing by discussing the structure, vocab and grammar of similar writing;
- discuss and record ideas;
- compose and rehearse sentences orally;
- in non-narrative material, use simple organisational devices;
- assess the effectiveness of own and others' writing;
- proof-read for spelling and punctuation errors.

Maths:

This half term, children will be focusing on:

Money

Complete the sentences to show how much money is in each box.



- Pounds and pence
- Ordering money
- Estimating money

Time

Convert each 24-hour clock time to 12-hour clock time. Draw your answer on both clocks.



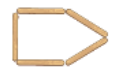
- Hours, minutes and seconds
- Years, months, weeks and days
- Analogue to digital

Properties of Shape

- Identify angles
- Compare and order angles
- Triangles
- Quadrilaterals
- Lines of symmetry

Use lolly sticks to make polygons with different numbers of sides.

Which polygons do you know the names of already?



Wider Curriculum in Year 4

Science - Teeth & Digestive System - We will look at the human digestive system along with the types of teeth compared to animals.

Geography - Contrasting European Region - We are learning about the Italian region of Campania. We will be looking at its physical and human geography and comparing it to the Lake District.

RE - Why do some people think that life is like a journey and what significant experiences mark this? - The children will learn in depth from different religious and spiritual ways of life relating to milestones on the journey of life.

PSHE - RSE - The children will learn about how our bodies change and how to deal with challenging emotions as they transition to a new year group.

DT - Torches - Children will apply their knowledge of electrical circuits from earlier in the year to design and create their own torch.

Computing - Spreadsheets - The children will learn about safer searching online.

PE - Athletics/Swimming - Classes 4.2 and 4.3 will continue with swimming until Friday 19th June. The children will work on running for both distance and speed along with throwing for distance using a range of techniques.

Home Learning Challenges

This is work that should be done each week

Essential work

Read for 20 minutes each day or night at home

Create a poster about looking after your teeth for children in Reception.



Write a letter to your new teacher telling them about yourself, your likes and dislikes, and your hopes for the next academic year.



STAR CHALLENGES

Create a model of a cave using anything that you have available to you. E.g. lego, papier mâché etc.

Essential work

Practise your times tables
Why not use TT Rockstars?

Design a colourful holiday brochure encouraging people to visit Campania. Highlight attractions such as Mount Vesuvius, Pompeii or the Amalfi Coast.



Write and perform your own song based on the music that we have listened to in Music this year. What Ukulele chords would you use?

Essential work

Practise your spellings. They are given on Mondays and tested on Fridays.



Write a story about being down in a cave similar to our story, Blue John. Be imaginative and think about what the main character may experience.

Create a timeline showing important milestones in your life.



Create a model rainforest based on our learning from last half term.

Start a Life Journey Scrapbook.
Start it from birth to now.
You can add to this throughout primary school!