

Year 4's Newsletter Autumn 2

Welcome back. We hope you all had a lovely half term and your child is ready to continue their learning in Year 4. Should you have any questions or concerns please speak to your child's class teacher or teaching assistant. Our doors are always open and we are here to help!

LITERACY

This half term in Literacy, we are going to be looking at the book 'Beowulf' by Rob Lloyd Jones. We are going to use this text to help us write a variety of fiction and non-fiction texts including: character and setting descriptions, letter writing, hero myths and non-chronological reports.

There will also be aspects of cross-curricular writing that will be done in our curriculum lessons. We will be using the information we have learnt all about the Anglo-Saxons to write diary entries and fact files.

Homework for English will be set weekly. The children will be expected to learn their spellings and to complete a reading comprehension each week. Please encourage your child to read their Accelerated Reader book for at least 20 minutes a day, we ask that you sign the reading record at the end of each week to confirm that your child has read for 20 minutes each night. The reading record and their Accelerated Reader book should be brought to school each day.

Key Vocabulary:

Conjunction adverbial inverted commas paragraphs
sub-headings adjectives

Mathematics

In Mathematics, the children will be working on groups of objectives linked to the following strands of Maths throughout the year:

- Number and Place Value
- Addition and Subtraction
- Multiplication and Division
- Fractions and Decimals
- Measurement
- Geometry (Shape and Space)
- Statistics (Data Handling)

This half term, all pupils in Year 4 will be looking at length and perimeter and multiplication and division.

Homework for Maths will be set using Mathletics on a weekly basis. If your child requires computer access in school time, please let us know. Timetables will continue to also be a key focus and you can help your child by practising these with them too.

Key vocabulary:

Arrays multiply divide groups of
Sharing kilometres rectilinear
perimeter

SCIENCE

In our science lessons this half term, we will be looking at states of matter. By the end of the topic, we are going to be able to compare and group materials into solids, liquids and gases. We will also explore and observe that some materials change state when they are heated and cooled. We will be measuring or researching the temperatures at which this happens. Also, we will be identifying the part played by evaporation and condensation within the water cycle.

Key Vocabulary:

Solid liquid gas Celsius water cycle evaporation
condensation heating cooling



Other Curriculum Areas

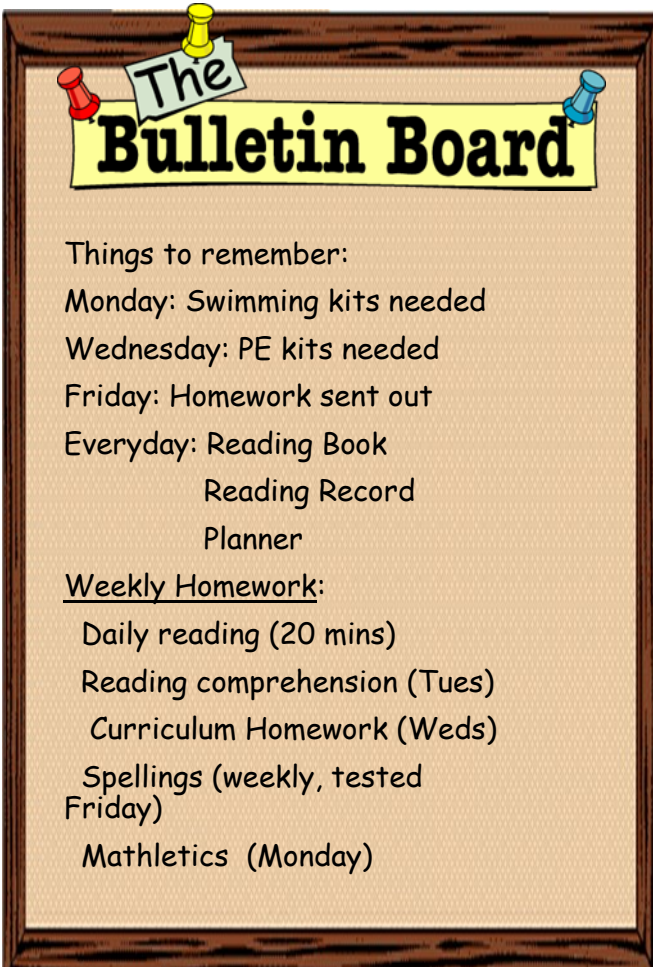
PE - Swimming, The Daily Mile, Gymnastics and dance

RE- different faiths in our community

PSHE- our bodies and change

Music- Sing, play, improvise and compose (Charanga)

Please see our curriculum overview for other lessons.



The Bulletin Board

Things to remember:

- Monday: Swimming kits needed
- Wednesday: PE kits needed
- Friday: Homework sent out
- Everyday: Reading Book
Reading Record
Planner

Weekly Homework:

- Daily reading (20 mins)
- Reading comprehension (Tues)
- Curriculum Homework (Weds)
- Spellings (weekly, tested Friday)
- Mathletics (Monday)



IMPORTANT DATES

- 6.11.19 – NSPCC workshop for parents and carers for keeping children safe online
- 12. 11.19 – Odd socks day
- 15.11.19 – Children in Need
- 18.11.19 – Individual school photos