



Computing: Children will be creating short animations based around our topic of kings and queens. We will also explore the history of animation to understand how it has changed over time.

Music: Children will be continuing to explore the use of a range of instruments as well as using their voices expressively.

Please note... Children need to be wearing the correct uniform at all times. We take pride in our school and are very proud of how smart the children look when wearing the correct uniform. Children should also bring a water bottle to school to drink throughout the day. It should contain only water and be clearly named. Snacks can be provided from home for break time but please ensure they are healthy (e.g. fruit or veg). Your support in this area would be greatly appreciated.

It is essential that the children have their kits in school at all times. Please speak to your child's class teacher if you are unsure about what your child should wear for PE. This term swimming lessons will take place on a Tuesday afternoon for children in Magnolia class. A separate letter containing more details will be sent out to the children in Ash class before their lessons begin.

Home learning: Home learning will be given out every Friday and should be returned to school the following Wednesday. Home learning set will be based on learning that has taken place in the classroom. It is important that home learning is completed to the best of your child's ability and handed in on time. If home learning is not handed in on time your child will be expected to attend home learning club during their lunch.

Show & Tell: Children will continue to participate in show and tell sessions during this term. Remember to check the timetable to ensure you know when it is your turn.

Dates for your diary:

10.01.17—Magnolia Class swimming.

15.03.17— Magnolia Class assembly.

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Kings and Queens of Britain



Year 4
Spring Term

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Happy New Year! We hope that you have had a lovely Christmas and New Year. We are looking forward to the year ahead and working in partnership with you to support your child's learning.

Year 4 team...

Mr Ohm (Ash class teacher)

Miss Best (Magnolia class teacher)

Mr Dalloway (Student teacher)

Mrs Hamblett (teaching assistant)

Miss Clarke (teaching assistant)

Mr Holder (KS2 assistant head teacher)

Mrs Walton (Phase leader)

Mrs Davies (SENCO/ reading support)

Miss Grasby (deputy head teacher)

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you should have any concerns, we will do our best to answer your queries. The happiness of your child is very important to us all.

Our topic:

We are really excited about this term's topic, which is called 'Kings and Queens of Britain'. We will be taking the children on a historical journey from 1066 to the present day. Along the way, we will discover how the power of the monarchy has changed through time.



English: Our key texts for this term include 'Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone' by J.K. Rowling. The genres we will be covering include narrative, letters and journalistic writing. In addition, each child will be given a reading book and we would really appreciate it if you could continue to read with your child on a regular basis.

Maths: This term, we will be focusing on problem solving, where we will expect the children to apply their mathematical knowledge of the four operations. The children will continue to complete their times table tests as well as developing their reasoning skills further.

Science: We will start this term by looking at states of matter and finding out the differences between solids, liquids and gases. We will then move on to our investigative unit, where the children will have the opportunity to design and carry out their own experiments.

PE: This term, our PE sessions will have a dance and games focus. Our PE days are Thursday (Ash) and Friday (both classes). Magnolia class will continue to have swimming lessons and Ash class will begin their swimming lessons in the second half of the term.

History: This term, we will be studying the changing power of the monarchy from 1066 to the present day.

Design and Technology: In Design and Technology we will be putting the children's sewing skills to the test as they will be designing and making their own Tudor pouches.

Art: In Art, we will be looking at a range of work from a variety of British artists. During this unit, the children will be able to develop their drawing, painting and collage skills.

RE: We will be learning about the main religions through stories, with a focus on communicating and giving service.

French: The children will be learning vocabulary relating to food and giving their opinions on food they enjoy or dislike.