



Please note...

**Uniform:** We expect the children to be in full school 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. The school uniform consists of charcoal grey trousers or skirt, a plain white polo shirt, royal blue jumpers or cardigans and fully black shoes. Please make sure your child's uniform is clearly labelled.

**PE:** Year four's PE days are on Monday and Tuesday. On these days the children should come into school in their PE kits which consists of plain black or grey jogging bottoms, a plain white t-shirt and trainers. Please can you ensure the children wear their school jumpers on PE days.

**Drinks bottles:** Children should bring a water bottle to school to drink throughout the day. It should contain only water and be clearly named.

**Snacks:** Snacks can be provided from home for break time but please ensure they are healthy (e.g. fruit/veg or a cereal bar).

**Home learning:** Home learning will be uploaded to the school website every Friday and should be returned to school the following Wednesday. We will alternate maths and English on a two weekly basis. Home learning 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.

Children should also be practising their times tables and spellings on a weekly basis in preparation for their tests in school.

**Reading-** It is really important that your child is reading at home so please encourage this and listen to them read as much as possible and recording this in their reading records.

**Dates for your diary:**

Tuesday 18th June - Magnolia Class Mount Pleasant Farm Visit

Friday 21st June—Ash Class Mount Pleasant Farm Visit

Monday 3rd June to Friday 14th June—Multiplication tables check

Thursday 11th July at 2:30pm—Year four exhibition.

Friday 28th June—Night at Olive Hill



'It took them many thousands of moons, many generations...'



Year 4

Summer Term



Welcome back! We hope you have enjoyed the holiday. The children have settled in well this week and are excited to begin their new learning. We are looking forward to continuing working in partnership with you this term.

#### **Year 4 team:**

Miss Knight (Ash Class Teacher)

Miss Jenkins (Magnolia Class Teacher)

Mrs Stonehouse (Teaching Assistant)

Mrs Hamblett ( School Based Tutor)

Mrs Higgins (Phase Leader)

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you should have any concerns, we will do our best to answer your queries.

#### **Our learning experience:**

The theme for our summer learning experience is, 'It took them many thousands of moons, many generations...'. This learning experience aims to take the children on a historical journey from the Stone Age through to the Iron Age and answer the Big Question: 'What age would you have preferred to live in?' We will be looking at the origins of agriculture and the changes it made to daily life. We hope you will encourage your child to research this topic at home as this will support them during their lessons.

At the end of the topic, there will an exhibition and we are looking forward to sharing our learning with you.

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**English:** This term, we will be making strong links between our learning experience and our writing by looking at the text 'The boy with the Bronze Axe' by Kathleen Fidler. This will involve the children writing their own narrative, non-chronological report and set of instructions.

**Maths:** In maths, we will be continuing to develop our knowledge of decimals. We will also be looking at the properties of shapes as well as introducing statistics by looking at graphs and charts. Alongside this, the children will continue to complete their times tables clubs to aid their recall of multiplication facts in preparation for the Multiplication Check in June.

**Science:** This term, we will be studying animal and human biology. We will be exploring how animals and humans move, how to keep our bodies healthy, how to care for our teeth and how energy is moved through food chains and webs.

**PE:** Our PE sessions will have an athletics and tennis focus to allow us to explore co-operation, good sportsmanship and co-ordination. After half term, we will be learning the skills of rounders .

**Computing:** During this term, the children will be linking their topic and computing lessons by creating a website to advertise the products produced by farms and from the Olive Hill allotment.

**History:** This term, we will be studying the changes in Britain from the Stone Age all the way up to the Iron Age.

**Geography:** This term, we will be looking at land use and the impact of urbanisation on farming.

**Art:** The children will be looking at relief print cave drawings as well as creating their own collagraph block print using a range of materials and tools to complete their art.

**Music:** The children will be composing a soundscape to explore the sounds and feelings of life in the Stone Age as well as learning how to play the ukulele.

**RE/PSHE:** We will be learning about the main religions through stories, with a focus on miracles. Alongside this, we will explore the concept of communication and the role it plays in religion.

**French:** The children will be learning about how to identify different objects within a classroom and how to use classroom commands. They will also be learning how to describe their homes both verbally and in writing.

**Design Technology:** This term, the children will be designing and making a printed hessian bag which will hold fruits and vegetables grown by the year 4 children on the Olive Hill allotment.

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