



Please note...

Uniform: Children need to be wearing the correct uniform at all times. Jumpers and cardigans can be worn in class; fleeces are for outdoor wear only. Trousers and skirts should be charcoal grey in colour. Children should wear sensible black shoes. We take pride in our school and are very proud of how smart the children look when wearing the correct uniform. Your support in this area would be appreciated.

PE: Year four's PE days are on Monday and Tuesday. On a Monday the children will need to come into school in their PE kits. This 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. On a Tuesday the children should come into school in their uniform and bring their swimming kits in a bag.

Drinks bottles: Children should bring a water bottle into school everyday to keep in the classroom. Please ensure this holds a maximum of 750ml.

Snacks: As we encourage healthy eating throughout the school, the children may bring fruit/vegetables or a healthy snack bar to eat during break time.

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. 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.

Show and Tell: A show and tell letter will be sent home shortly. The letter will contain a date for your child to bring something special into school to share with the class.

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**Year 4
Autumn Term**

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Welcome to year 4! We are very much looking forward to the year ahead and working in partnership with you to support your child with their learning. It is important that your child is in school and on time every day.

Year 4 team:

Miss Knight (Ash Class Teacher)

Miss Jenkins (Magnolia Class Teacher)

Mrs Underhill (Class teacher)

Mrs Stonehouse (Teaching Assistant)

Mrs Hamblett (Phase 2 School Based Tutor)

Mrs Higgins (Year 2/3/4 Phase Leader)

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you should have any

Our topic:

We are all extremely excited about our first topic, which is called 'Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better'. It will focus on developing an understanding of how humans affect the Earth and help the children to question whether we have a negative or positive impact. The children will learn about pollution and explore ways in which humans can positively impact on the sustainability of Earth. They will use this knowledge to design, make and evaluate their own product made with materials from sustainable sources. We hope you will encourage your child to research this topic at home as this will support them during their lessons.

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English: This term, our work will be based around 'The Song of the Dolphin Boy' by Elizabeth Laird. This text links closely to our topic and will explore the same themes. In addition to this, each child will be given a reading book which will need to be read to an adult at home on a regular basis and recorded in their reading records.

Maths: This term, we will be focusing on number and place value, 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: Our Science topics for this term are Sound and Electricity. The children will explore and identify the way sound is made through vibration in a range of musical instruments and find out how pitch and volume can be changed. In addition, the children will make simple circuits using different components.

PE: This term, our PE days are Monday and Tuesday. The children will be going swimming on a Tuesday and will be developing a range of new skills in gymnastics, football and tag rugby in their other lesson.

Geography: This term, we will be looking at the human impact on the Earth and different ways of limiting this.

Design and Technology: In Design and Technology we will be challenging the children to make a product out of sustainable materials. They will be encouraged to think like scientists and try to solve environmental issues.

Art: This term the children will be looking at using recycling to create a whole year sculpture and study a range of relevant artists.

RE and PSHE: This term, we will be looking at what 'commitment' is and how this relates to different people and religions all around the world. We will also be looking at different types of 'communication' and how different religions use different forms.

French: The children will be focusing on pronunciation and learning the numbers 30-60 as well as applying these skills to the context of money. Children will also be exploring the culture of France.

Computing: Children will be using elements of coding using the programming software Scratch, to design their own maze game.

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