

YEAR 4 CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER SPRING 1

Happy New Year, Year 4! We hope that you had a wonderful break and feel refreshed to continue with the academic year. This newsletter will provide you with information on the half term ahead. If you have any further queries, please don't hesitate to contact us.



Topic- Our topic for this term is World War II. We will be researching and exploring what happened at this time. We will be discussing and thinking about how it would feel to live at this time, including being evacuated.



Google Classroom - We will be using Google Classroom frequently to share any updates or provide extra homework to support our learning in class. Please ensure your child is logging in weekly.



English - This term in English, we will be developing our writing skills through looking at a variety of different texts, including a range of fiction and non-fiction. Our main text for the first few weeks will be the Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe by C.S.Lewis. In spelling we will be learning suffixes, prefixes and apostrophes for contractions and we will be consolidating these through handwriting (letter join). During guided reading, we will be exploring a range of fiction and non-fiction.



Maths-Our first focus of the year will be continuing our work on multiplication and division. Then, we will learn about length and perimeter. Each child has a new maths rocket. Every Friday your child will have an informal rocket quiz with their group. They should practise the skill for the test as their homework.

IMPORTANT: Times Tables - Times Tables will continue to be a big focus in Year 4, with all children in the country being tested in the summer term. Children in Year 4 are expected to know their 1-12 times tables and to be fluent in doing so. We would therefore encourage you to do as much practice as you can with times tables at home. Times Tables Rockstars is a great programme to help with this - please use it regularly.

States of Matter



Science- In Science, we will be introducing the topic of States of Matter.

PE- Your child will have two PE sessions per week. This half term, the focus will be swimming and outdoor adventurous activities/problem solving.

4MV will have their **first PE lesson on Tuesdays**.



4EB will have their **first PE lesson on Tuesdays**.



4MV will have their **swimming lesson on Wednesdays**.

4EB will have their **swimming lesson on Wednesdays**.



Please make sure your child has their **swim kit** or **PE kit** on the correct day.

Thanks, Melissa and Ellie