

# Year 4 – Autumn Term



## Meet the team:

The Year Four Team consists of Miss Shaw and Mr Abbass.

To support the children and their learning we have Mrs Bell and Miss Elliott.

## Breaktime snacks

Snacks for playtime should be healthy (fruit/ cereal bars) and should not contain nuts. Toast/ flapjacks and pizza muffins are available to order through the school money app.

## Keep in touch

Finally, we are here to support you as much as the children! Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions or concerns you have. This can be done via class dojo or email

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**It has been a fantastic start to the school year, and we hope you all have a wonderful summer! It has been lovely to hear all the stories which the children have been sharing.**

## English

Throughout the Autumn term, we will use short films, poetry and picture books to inspire our writing. The children will be provided with multiple writing opportunities to allow them to write for a range of different purposes. We will begin by using a short film called 'The Lost Thing' by Shaun Tan where the children will then write their own narrative. During this term, we will revisit areas of the curriculum covered last year to embed this learning, as well as introducing the children to elements of the Year 4 curriculum.

## Reading

Each day the children will have a reciprocal reading lesson where they will work on all the different skills to support their progression and ability to decode and understand texts. Our first text is a fabulous book called 'The Wild Robot'.

All children will complete the Accelerated Reader quiz which will provide us with their reading range. When this has been completed the children will have the opportunity to select a reading book to bring home from the library. The children will be required to bring in their book and diary every day.

## Maths

This term we begin with our place value unit, where the children will learn how to represent and partition numbers up to 10,000. Following this, we will then focus on addition and subtraction ensuring children are confident in using formal written methods to support their learning. During the Autumn term, the children will be introduced to the 6, 7 and 9 times tables.

## Multiplication Table Check

During Year 4, it is a statutory requirement for all children to complete the multiplication check to determine whether they can recall their times tables to 12 x 12 fluently. This will be completed in June and more information will be shared throughout the year. All children will have their TTRS login details in their diary so that they can practise at home.

## PE

PE will be taught on a Monday and Thursday. The children need to come to school dressed in their PE kit with hair tied back and jewellery and watches removed. The focus for Year Four will be ball skills and tag rugby.

## History / Geography

During Autumn we will begin to learn about Ancient Egypt. We will begin by looking at how they recorded their history and the importance of farming to Ancient Egyptians. After half term, we will look at the question 'Why are rainforests important to us' in our geography unit.

## Science

Our first science unit is Animals including humans. We will begin this unit by learning about the digestive system followed by the function of different teeth and how we can ensure we look after them. After half term, we will begin our unit on changing states where the children will learn about solids, liquids and gases.

## Home learning

We will be setting home learning for the children weekly, including spellings which can be found in their diaries. We would also ask that you listen to your children read and record in their diaries at least **three times** each week. In addition to this there will be the termly homework sheet for which children receive dojo points for each piece completed and weekly maths homework.