



Welcome to Year 4



We are really excited to be welcoming your children into Year 4 this year - it's great to have them back with us! The children have all returned to school with a really positive attitude and we are sure that we will have a really successful year together.

Meet the team



Mr Stagg



Miss Black



Mr Stanton



Mrs Tolley

Open Classrooms

Due to the easing of restrictions, we are now able to invite you into our classrooms where you can drop in to meet us, ask any questions and discuss the learning that your children will be taking part in this year. We will be available on the following dates until 4pm if you wish to drop in. We look forward to welcoming you into Year 4!

Tuesday 14th September

Thursday 16th September

A typical day in Year 4

When the children arrive, they'll take part in a morning activity to ease them into the day. We then have Maths Fluency, followed by an assembly. After the assembly, we have a Maths session before break time. After break, the children have English, Mile-a-day and then Whole Class Guided Reading session and then it's lunch time. To begin the afternoon, we have a calming afternoon activity, followed by PE (on Wednesday) or a R.E.A.L Curriculum lesson. We finish the day with a class story.

Themes

Over the course of the year, we will be teaching three main themes. Within these themes, the children will be developing their knowledge, interests and skills to cover all of the curriculum areas. Additionally, our Ethos is rooted in our Christian values. These values permeate through our curriculum, behaviour and attitude toward one another.

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Theme	Tomb Raiders	Secrets of the Saxons	Extreme Earth
Value	Hope Peace	Respect Forgiveness	Community Faith
The overarching value is Love			

Reading at home

We are putting a lot of emphasis on reading, so it would be great if you were able to hear your child read at least four times a week (or give them opportunities to read to themselves). We will be handing out reading records for you to complete at home when your child has read. These should come into school each day for the teachers and teaching assistants to check.

How else can I help at home?

In Year 4, pupils will complete the Multiplication Tables Check that the Government introduced last year. As a result of this we will be focusing on our tables in lessons. To support the children, we will be using a range of techniques to boost their confidence and skill. Times Table Rock Stars is a supporting tool that the children will use regularly throughout the week. It can be accessed on a range of devices and we ask you to continue practicing and supporting your child at home with their times tables. Little and often is key.

PE days

Children in Year 4 will have their main PE lesson on a Wednesday afternoon. Currently, we are asking the children to come into school in their PE kits on this day. A PE kit should include; trainers, plain black or navy shorts or joggers, a plain white t-shirt and their school jumper.

Healthy snacks and water bottles

As we are a healthy school, the children will only be allowed a healthy snack at break times. Snacks include fruit, vegetables, fruit bars, fruit pots and yogurt sticks. Please can you make sure the children bring in their own water bottles each day (labelled) and take them home at the end of the day – please fill only with water.

Art t-shirt

To help with our art sessions, we are asking the children to bring in an old t-shirt (over-sized if possible) which they can wear whenever they are taking part in an art activity. These t-shirts will be kept in school throughout the year.

Showbie

Our class code for you to access Showbie at home is 489B3. Please log into this at the earliest opportunity, as we will aim to use it to share message, upload pictures of the children's work and add links to websites that will benefit the children.

Parent helpers

We are once again able to invite volunteers back into school. If you would like to volunteer to support the class then please speak with a member of staff who can then go over details with you.

Finally, if you have any questions, concerns or would like to speak to any member of the Year 4 team, we are available at the end of the day and will be more than happy to support you with anything that you need.

Many thanks

The Year 4 Team