



Year 4 Bulletin

**Spring Term
2023**

**Lower KS2 Leader:
Mrs Howson**



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A Message from Miss Lewis and Miss Jones

Welcome back! We hope you had a lovely holiday. We are ready to start our new term with some exciting topics! If you would like to talk to us about your child, please feel free to leave a message with the main office and we will be in touch as soon as possible. Any urgent messages in the morning, can be given to the adult who is welcoming Year 4 pupils by the front gates.

Reading Books

Children will continue to bring home a school reading book to read at home. Please spend 10 minutes regularly listening to your child read and record this in the Reading Diary (date, title, comment and parent signature). Diaries will be checked weekly and we will be looking for a minimum of 4 reads each week. Reading for pleasure (including when you read to your child) is a big focus in school and will help the children achieve in so many other areas.

Support at Home

We would appreciate your support with reading. We will be having a selection of spellings to learn in school each week. A photo of these will be put on dojo, so you are aware of the words we will be focusing on. Helping your child with learning their times tables would be extremely beneficial. We cannot stress enough how important these are. They help in all aspects of maths and prepares them for the SAT assessment in the Summer Term.

Healthy Playtime Snacks

If your child would like a playtime snack, please send them into school with fruit/veg. Packed lunches should be healthy. No chocolate, biscuits or sweets please. Please remember we are a no nuts/no sesame school. Please also ensure that your child has a labelled water bottle with them each day with water not squash.

PE Day

On PE days, please send your children into school wearing their kit. **Year 4 will have PE on a Wednesday (outdoors) & a Thursday (indoors).**

Please refer to our school website for the correct PE uniform and make sure that your child has suitable clothing for the rest of the day (jogging bottoms to go over shorts and sweatshirt).

Changeable Weather

Please ensure your child comes to school with suitable clothing including an appropriate coat with a hood as they do go outside to play in all weathers!

Dojo

Please check Class Dojo on a regular basis as we will share messages and information as well as examples of the children's work via the Dojo App.

Woodland Work

We will be having woodland work on a **Thursday this term** so please send your children in PE kit. They will also need labelled waterproof items and wellies (in a bag) to put on before we go into the woodland area. Please don't send them to school in their wellies as the sessions may be in a morning so they will need clean shoes to come back into school with.

Trips & Visitors

Spring 1: Enginuity & Severn Trent Visitor

Spring 2: Condoover (residential 1 night trip) & Reabrook river walk.

Year 4 Curriculum Overview

Maths: Number & Place Value, Addition and Subtraction, Properties of Shapes, Multiplication & Division, Fractions, Measures (Time, Length)

Writing: Explanation Writing, Poetry, Writing a Story with a Moral, Writing a Letter of Complaint

Geography: Water Cycle, Journey of a River, Water Treatments, Imports and Exports

History: Significant People, Henry VIII

Science: Electricity, Animals including Humans (teeth)

Computing: PowerPoint, Computing in Society and E-safety

RE: Hinduism and Christianity

Music: Making music linked to topics being studied

French: Francophone Day, Weather, Where you live, Easter in France

PSHE: British Values, SUMO, Feelings and Emotions, Children's Mental Health Week

Art: Painting, Tints and Shades, Complementary Colours, Mixing, Sculpture (Modroc)

DT: Mechanisms, Pop up Books

PE:

Spring 1: Dance (water cycle & electricity themed), Hockey and Basketball

Spring 2: Gymnastics, Orienteering.