

YEAR 4 SPRING NEWSLETTER 2026



'The Treasure Within'

Matthew 6:21

A very happy New Year to everyone! This Spring Term in Year 4, the children will continue to enjoy a wide range of learning opportunities both in the classroom and beyond as we move towards Easter. They have settled back into school life wonderfully after Christmas and it has been a real joy to welcome them back. I am confident that the Spring Term will provide many opportunities for the children to practise and develop the skills and knowledge that will help them flourish both as learners and as individuals.

This term, we continue to explore our whole-school theme, *'The Treasure Within'*. The children have been sharing the treasures in their own lives through the Treasure Trove Backpack activity, which every child will have the opportunity to complete during the year.

In Religious Education, our next topic is *'Galilee to Jerusalem'*. This unit helps the children to understand why Christians believe Jesus is the Messiah and how his words and actions showed God's love for everyone, particularly those who were excluded by society. The children will explore key Christian beliefs, prayers and sacraments and reflect on how Jesus continues to inspire people today to live with faith, hope and love.

In English, our first focus text is *'The Iron Man'* by Ted Hughes. The children will be writing their own descriptive pieces inspired by this powerful story. We will continue to expand vocabulary through spelling work and whole-class reading, discovering new words in texts and exploring exciting "super synonyms". After half term, our next class text will be *'Varjak Paw'* by SF Said.



TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS

In Maths, learning will focus on Multiplication and Division, followed by Length and Perimeter, Fractions and Decimals. With the Multiplication Tables Check taking place in June, we will place extra emphasis on times tables practice in school, including during Computing lessons and additional lunchtime clubs. Support at home through online resources such as Times Tables Rock Stars will be extremely beneficial, thank you in advance for supporting your child in this way.

Our **topic** title this term is '**Roman Britain: Inventors and Innovators**'. In **Geography**, we will investigate Italy and will compare the North and South based on the physical and human features. In **History**, we will be learning about the Romans expanding on the children's previous knowledge from Year 3.

In **Science**, we will be learning all about **states of matter**, the particle arrangements and how everything on earth is classified into solids, liquids or gases. In **DT**, we will be exploring **textiles** skills linking our creations to our Geography topic. In **Art**, we will be developing our drawing techniques and will be using them to create our own 'power prints'.

In **PE**, the children have brilliant opportunities this term for varied and beneficial learning. Year 4 will have lessons in ball skills, athletics, football and gymnastics.

In **French** lessons, children will be exploring the units 'Going Shopping' and 'Where in the World?'.

Music will focus on film music and country music! Choral music singing is continuing and hymn practices shall continue ahead of whole school Masses.

Looking forward to another wonderful term,
Kind regards,

Miss Lawler

Dates for your diary!

National Numeracy Day	6 th Feb
KS2 Talent Show	11 th Feb 2:00pm
INSET Day	13 th Feb
Half Term	16 th Feb-20 th Feb
Service of Reconciliation	26 th Feb
World Book Day	5 th Mar
Music Evening	12 th Mar
Parent Consultations	17 th Mar 18 th Mar
Spring Hamper Raffle Assembly	20 th Mar 2:30pm
Entry to Jerusalem	23 rd Mar 2:30pm
Passover Liturgy	25 th Mar 2:30pm
End of Spring Term	27 th Mar

How you can help:

Homework reminders will be shared weekly in your child's homework diary. Homework is designed to consolidate learning completed in class, as well as to provide opportunities for creative project work. These projects will be displayed and celebrated throughout the year.

All children have logins for Times Tables Rock Stars and NumBots, they can also use Mathletics to support their maths learning. Regular engagement with these platforms will help children to develop quick and confident recall of their times tables facts up to 12×12 . Login details are glued into homework diaries.

Please support your child by ensuring they complete their expected daily home reading during the week and by talking with them about what they are reading. Reading should be signed by an adult each evening or morning (depending on when your child reads). Reading diaries are checked twice a week and children can earn bonus house points for consistent reading.

Correct PE kits should be in school every day. This includes black shorts, a white t-shirt and black trainers or plimsolls for indoor PE and joggers, a jumper and trainers for outdoor PE while the weather remains chilly. Children may take their kits home at the weekend for washing but should return them to school on Mondays.

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Please also check the class page on the school website for regular updates and blog posts.