

## Class 4 - Summer Term 2026



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back. We hope you all had a happy and refreshing Easter break. It has been lovely to see the children back at school after the holidays and we are looking forward to a new term.

Well done to those children who found time to read regularly and practise their times tables over the Easter holidays. We have given 1 house point out every time someone read three times. It has been lovely to see the children recommend books to each other and we encourage this through our 'Book Talk' discussions.

.We enjoy hearing about children's achievements outside school. Please let us know of any extra-curricular achievements, for instance passing a music exam, attaining a well-earned badge in Cubs/Brownies or playing particularly well in sport at the weekend. These can be celebrated in our class as part of a lunchtime 'show and tell' activity or celebrated in our weekly Rocket assemblies.

### **Being ready to learn**

We have been making sure we are ready and prepared for learning each day and it has been good to see many children with the right equipment - PE kits, pencil cases, reading and homework books. If you haven't had a chance, could we respectfully ask you to check if your child needs any stationery for this term, especially whiteboard pens and glue sticks. PE kits should also be in school at all times.

**Pencil cases- glue stick, pencil, pen, 30 cm ruler, scissors, pencil sharpener, coloured pencils, whiteboard pen and a rubber.**

The following table gives a breakdown of what we are covering in the curriculum this term. More information about the curriculum can be found on the half termly map attached with this newsletter.

### Curriculum at a Glance – Summer 2026

<b>Literacy</b>	<p>Class texts: Leon and the Space Between and a selection of River poetry.</p> <p>Extended story writing based on Leon and the Space between</p> <p>Non- chronological report writing, linked to Geography topic.</p> <p>Personification in poetry.</p> <p>Spelling (suffixes, prefixes, adverbials of frequency, possibility and manner).</p> <p>Punctuation (correct use of capital letters, full stops, commas, apostrophes for possession and contraction and speech marks).</p> <p>Features of narrative writing and of a variety of poetry types.</p> <p>Grammar (correctly punctuated speech, subordinate clauses, extended noun phrases, prepositional phrases, the use of pronouns/ synonyms to avoid repetition, prefixes/ suffixes, similes/ metaphors).</p>
<b>Maths</b>	<p>Number: Decimals</p> <p>Shape: Properties of 2D shapes, angles, symmetry, position and direction</p> <p>Measurement: Money</p> <p>Statistics: Interpreting charts and graphs</p> <p>Problem-solving and reasoning skills</p>
<b>Science</b>	States of Matter
<b>Geography</b>	Coasts, erosion, rivers and the water cycle (Rivers field trip)
<b>RE</b>	What kind of world did Jesus want? What is it like to follow God?

<b>PSHE</b>	Relationships and Changing Me
<b>Computing</b>	<p>We are meteorologists (presenting the weather)</p> <p>We are co-authors (producing a PowerPoint about rivers)</p>
<b>PE</b>	Athletics and Cricket
<b>French</b>	Pets and family
<b>Art</b>	Painting-watercolours (Hokusai's 'The Wave' and Monet's Waterlilies).

<b>DT</b>	Moving toy - cams
<b>Music</b>	Blackbird- Charanga Learning how to play the ukulele.

### Home learning

Home learning will continue to be given on a Wednesday, to be completed and handed in by the following Wednesday.

Spellings: put words into full sentences and practice at least 3 times a week.

Reading: At least three times a week, with an adult regularly signing and noting comments in homework diary.

Times tables: Children will be told which to focus on. Test on Wednesdays. Please **keep practising!** The National Curriculum target is for all children to know their times tables up to 12x12 by the end of Year 4. **There will be an important national times tables test between Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June and Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June for all children.** It's also a life skill and helps enormously with accessing other areas of Maths.

Literacy and Maths: Written work to be completed in homework book and handed in on Wednesday.

Mathletics and Times Tables Rockstars online activities to be completed by Wednesday.

Please remember that children should keep their homework/reading diaries in their book bags so that they are always in school.

### Future events:

We have an exciting term ahead.

1<sup>st</sup> May – Y4 athletics trip

21<sup>st</sup> May – Class photo

4<sup>th</sup> June – KS2 charity run

26<sup>th</sup> June – sports day

9<sup>th</sup> July – iSingPop concert

17<sup>th</sup> July – Y4 rivers trip

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any queries or concerns- find one of us on the playground, jot down a note in the homework diary or send an email via the school office to make an appointment or arrange a phone call.

***Thank you in anticipation for your continued support, which is much appreciated. We are looking forward to another busy term with your children!***

**Miss Jones, Mrs Steere and the Year 4 team**

### Spelling word list for Year 3 and Year 4



100 words that children in England are expected to be able to spell by the end of Year 4 (age 9). How many can you spell?

accident(ally)	disappear	interest	pressure
actual(ly)	early	island	probably
address	earth	knowledge	promise
answer	eight/eighth	learn	purpose
appear	enough	length	quarter
arrive	exercise	library	question
believe	experience	material	recent
bicycle	experiment	medicine	regular
breath	extreme	mention	reign
breathe	famous	minute	remember
build	favourite	natural	sentence
busy/business	February	naughty	separate
calendar	forward(s)	notice	special
caught	fruit	occasion(ally)	straight
centre	grammar	often	strange
century	group	opposite	strength
certain	guard	ordinary	suppose
circle	guide	particular	surprise
complete	heard	peculiar	therefore
consider	heart	perhaps	though/although
continue	height	popular	thought
decide	history	position	through
describe	imagine	possess(ion)	various
different	increase	possible	weight
difficult	important	potatoes	woman/women