



# Year 4 Summer Term Newsletter



This information sheet will give a broad outline of the work your child will be undertaking this term. We hope you will find it useful. In our teaching, we make cross-curricular links with other subjects to not only enhance and embed the children's knowledge and understanding, but also for their enjoyment.

**MATHEMATICS:** In Maths, we will be looking at properties of shape, position and direction as well as fractions.

**ENGLISH:** Our English learning journey will link to other topics across the curriculum. These topics include links to Science (animals and their habitats) and Geography (rainforest).

In the second half of the Summer Term our English learning journey will be linked to our History topic which will be the Tudors.

**SCIENCE:** In Science, we will continue studying animals and their habitats including classification. Science will then focus on electricity for the remainder of the year.

**TOPIC:** We began the Summer Term with Geography and learning about Brazil. In the second part of the Summer Term, we will be learning about the Tudors. Children will be asked to complete a homework project based on this.

**R.H.E:** In RHE, we are exploring and learning about different relationships in our lives. In Summer 2, we will be learning about a unit 'Changing me' which is about ourselves and how we change as we grow.

**DT/Art:** In DT we are going to use our knowledge of electricity from Science to design and build a Light Box. Please save any shoe boxes you may acquire ready for us to turn them into Light Boxes. We will also be planning, designing and making a secure money container using thread to join our fabric pieces together and decorating them.

**R.E:** In R.E we will be learning about characters from the Old Testament as well learning about Islam and its cultural beliefs and values.

**P.E./GAMES:** All children should wear correct, non-branded PE kit on their PE days.

Elm will have indoor PE on Tuesday and outdoor PE Thursday.

Spruce will have indoor PE on Tuesday and outdoor PE on Thursday.

Oak will have indoor PE on Thursday and outdoor PE on Friday.

**SPORTS DAY:** This will happen on Thursday the 22<sup>nd</sup> of June at 1.45 p.m.

**Stunning Starter:** On Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May, Year 4 visited Hampton Court to explore the Palace and experience the world of Tudor court.

**Excellent Ending:** We will share our Tudor projects, which are due in on Friday the 23<sup>rd</sup> of June. We will also be looking at Tudor Art.

**ELM ASSEMBLY:** This will happen on the 23<sup>rd</sup> May at 2.40 p.m.

**OAK ASSEMBLY:** This will happen on the 11<sup>th</sup> of July at 2.40 p. m.

**READING:** Please ensure that your child brings in their reading book and reading record every day. Children have a reading book to bring home from school but are also most welcome to read their own choices of books or a book on MyOn. Children are expected to read at least 5 times a week and record this in their diaries.

**TIMES TABLES:** By the end of year 4, children are expected to know all their timetables up to 12 X 12 times tables. Children should use DoodleTables to support their learning. We will also be uploading a resource which allows them to practise the multiplication check. In class, the children will take part in the 144 Club test. This comprises of 144 times table questions that they try to answer in 5 minutes.

Please see below for information on the upcoming Multiplication timestable check.

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**HOMEWORK:** Children will also receive maths and spellings homework once a week. Spelling homework will consist of spellings in their pink book and an additional activity task on Spellzone related to their weekly spelling focus. Children are encouraged to also complete 10 minutes a week of their course pathway which can also be found on Spellzone. Maths will continue to be set on Doodle Maths which can be found by clicking on the red 'extras' button. Their daily tasks (5, 6 or 7 a day) will be completed in school.

**Homework will be given out and collected as follows:**

Subject	Day	Hand in by/diary signed by	Response
Reading (10 minutes)	Daily	Friday	Fill in your diary reading record.
Maths (20 minutes)	Monday	Friday/Monday	Complete task and hand in.
English - Spellings (20 minutes)	Monday	Friday	Complete task and hand in.
History	Summer 2: Tudor Project	Date given by class teacher	Complete task and hand in.

**CHROMEBOOKS:** Chromebooks should be brought into school every day **after being charged at home.** Please encourage your child to charge them at home as it is essential to their learning day. Please make sure your chromebook is kept safe in the case when not being used. Chromebooks will be used to support learning in class as well as for practising spellings and times tables.

**CONTACT:** Please write any notes in your child's reading record and ask your child to show this to their teacher at the start of the school day. If a matter needs a longer discussion, please write to your child's teacher to make an appointment at a mutually convenient time. We will be happy to see you.

Yours sincerely,

The Year Four Team