

Year 4 Autumn Term

Welcome to our Autumn Term in Y4! We have a lot of exciting learning ahead!

Maths We will be teaching 'Maths Mastery' in Year 4. Mastering maths means pupils of all ages acquiring a deep, long-term, secure and adaptable understanding of the subject. Children will have a daily **maths** lesson that reinforces learning and allows children to take on new skills and apply these in a range of contexts. Once a week, children will have an arithmetic session, focusing on the 4 operations. The daily maths lesson is structured to include mental skills, teaching points, independent learning and reflection time. Children work individually, in pairs and as a group to solve calculations and problems. This term we will be focusing on numbers to 10,000, perimeter and times tables (x3, x6, x9).



English Children will **read** regularly, and need their book in school every day please. Our **writing** lessons begin with work on suspense writing, building tension and effect for the reader, followed by explanation texts, where we work to explain just how things actually work! We will be using a variety of vocabulary, conjunctions, fronted adverbials and punctuation to make our writing exciting and engage the reader. We continue to work on spelling, punctuation skills and grammar (SPAG) and apply it in our writing. Children will have **spellings** to learn weekly and these will be tested each week in school – please continue to help them practise at home and ensure their spelling book is in school each week.

Science As Scientists, the children will be learning about Electricity, including sources. We will construct and explore circuits using components, and learn about conductors. After half term, we move onto our States of Matter topic.



P.E This term, PE sessions are on Mondays and Thursdays. There will be a focus on invasion games, learning about a range of ball skills and team sports, including tactics and working together.

PSHE continues as an important part of our curriculum. As well as focusing on friendships and school rules, we will also be developing the social and emotional well-being of all our children and the value of respect for ourselves and others.



Religious Education The children will be learning about why God is important to Jewish people, exploring Shabbat and the features of a Jewish synagogue.

Thematic Topic

We have several topics this term! We begin with our '**Lightning Speed**' topic, using our **Computing** and **PSHE** skills to explore communication in a digital age.



We will discuss the development of technology through time, researching our own timeline in **History**, and explore tempo as an important element in **Music**. We will use our **DT** skills to create our own designs as an inventor. After half term, we will move onto our "Window on the World" topic, using our **Geography** skills.

In MFL, we will be learning a selection of key phonemes to facilitate accurate and authentic pronunciation. The children will then will be taught how to say 10 common vegetables in their plural form with their definite articles.



An exciting term ahead – we are very much looking forward to our new learning together! 😊

Homework We have a new journal focus this term on inference, with a task each week to complete each week. 😊 Children will have more creative homework tasks in their purple homework books. Homework will be given every fortnight and children will always be given time to complete activities. Spellings will continue every week. Thank you, as ever, for your support with this.