

_YEAR 4 SPRING (2) NEWSLETTER ~ FEBRUARY 2025 Welcome Back!

We are excited to welcome everyone back to Class 4 after a well-earned week's break. We were delighted with the hard work that the children put into our Rivers topic last half term. They really impressed us with their knowledge and use of specialist vocabulary on our fieldwork trip to Nell bank and the River Wharfe.



We hope that they are all looking forward to our exciting new topics and learning in Class 4 this term.

History: Roman Britain

This unit focuses on Romans and Roman life in Britain. We will be learning about what life was like for the Romans and looking at artefacts to support our learning. We will be examining why the Romans came to Britain, discuss the opposition to Roman rule through 'Boudicca' as well as find out about Hadrian's Wall and the impact it had on different people's lives.





Science: Teeth and Eating

As part of this unit, we will be identifying the types of teeth humans have and their functions. We will describe the basic parts of the digestive system and carry out a practical enquiry about how the stomach works. We will then move on to food chains, discussing producers, predators and prey.

Mathematics

This term, we will be focusing on the following areas within our mathematics lessons through fluency, problem solving and reasoning-based tasks:

- Fractions
- Decimals

Reading and Homework

All homework is carefully set to support the progress of our Class 4 children so it is important that it is completed to a high standard.

Maths homework in the red exercise book: set Friday, due Wednesday.

Spelling sentences in the yellow exercise book: set Friday, due Wednesday.

(The five spelling sentences must be of a high quality, using the ideas on the sheets stuck into the yellow homework books. If children spend time practising writing in this way, it will really help them to use these elements fluently in their independent writing).

In addition, the ten spellings set for homework should be learnt until they are known and will be tested on Wednesdays.

New Learn by Heart Maths facts will be set every other Friday and will be tested every Friday.

Children should read out-loud to someone at home at least three times a week and have their reading log signed to record this.

To prepare for this year's statutory multiplication tables test, they should work to speed up their tables recall of tables up to 12x12 by using Times Tables Rock Stars.

Uniform

P.E. is on Mondays and Wednesdays so children must wear full school uniform every other day of the week. However, they are also encouraged to bring in trainers for the Daily Mile at breaktime if their usual school shoes are not appropriate for running.

P.E kit must be a plain round-necked white T-shirt and plain black jogging bottoms. Jewellery may not be worn in school except for small stud earrings which must be removed on P.E days. During both sessions we hope to be outside, now the weather is (hopefully) getting better!

Diary Dates

Friday 28^{th} February -Wear Red and donate a pound for Children's Heart Surgery fund Thursday 6^{th} March - World Book Day

Monday 10th March - S Factor Class 4 presentations

13th and 14th March - Parent Consultation Evening

17th - 21st March - Healthy Week

Monday 17th March - D:side Drug Awareness session

Easter Break - 5th March to 21st April

