



## Year 4 Curriculum Newsletter - April 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

I wanted to write to welcome yourselves and your children back to school. We have a busy but exciting half-term ahead planned for Year 4, so I wanted to share some of our topics and explain new routines.

Below you will find some of the topics we will be exploring over the Summer Term.

Summer Term	
Maths	Fractions, Decimals, Measurements and Money, Time and Statistics. We will also continue a push with Learning Timetables and corresponding division facts.
English	Linking with the WW2 topic, we will be reading and writing recounts and biographies from some evacuees. After this we will look at image poetry.
Topic	WW2 in Bradford
Science	Living things and their habitats.
RE	Creation and the Environment: Christianity and Judaism
PE	Cricket
PSHE	Looking forward
Computing	Data Handling
Art	Drawing familiar objects in proportion.

### PE

PE will take place on a Tuesday. Please ensure your child comes to school in their full kit on these days. Their PE kit should consist of a white T-shirt, plain navy or black shorts, tracksuit bottoms or leggings and black pumps or trainers. Please make sure each item of clothing is clearly labelled with your child's name. In addition, long hair should be tied back and earrings should be taped or removed for safety purposes.

### Homework

For the time being, all homework will be set on 'Times Table Rock Stars' and 'Spelling Shed.' I have set assignments on spelling shed and selected the times tables that your

child needs to practise. Please ensure your child accesses these at home at least once a week. In addition, every Monday your child will bring home their weekly Spelling list, to practise for a test on Friday.

### **Reading**

Your support at home is invaluable and I would ask you to continue to hear your child read as much as possible, even 10 minutes shared reading can make a huge difference. When reading with your child, please take time to ask them questions about the book to check their understanding. If you can then record how they have got on in their reading record book, this will be valuable feedback for us to follow up in school to further support your child's reading. We have a class 'reading race' in which the children are rewarded with stickers on their bookmarks for home reading. Additional whole class reading lessons take place in class on a weekly basis.

### **Dismissal of the class**

At the end of the day (15:00) the children will be led out into the bottom playground. Please stay at the other side of the fencing and wear a face covering (unless exempt.) The children are then asked to line up and raise their hands when they see the adult collecting them. This is in order for the teacher to be certain of who each child has been collected by. Although it may take slightly longer to dismiss the class, it is for the safety of the children and we thank you for your patience. Where possible, please inform school if your child is going to be collected by a different adult.

If you would like more information about any of the topics being taught this term, please let me know.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Blythe

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