



Year 4

Autumn 2

CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

Where a World of Opportunities Awaits

Our Creative Habit - Persistent



English

Our model text is 'Arthur's diary'. We are going to use this to write our own recount tale.

Maths

We will be focusing on multiplication and division strategies then statistics.

Science

Living things and their habitats.

History

Vikings.

Art and D&T

Christmas cards / fastenings.

Computing

Creating media.

Music

Recorders.

French

Hobbies and activities.

RE

What is the importance of prayer?

PE

Gymnastics.

Last Half term

Year 4 has had a busy start to the year; they have participated in school trips, welcomed new people into their classrooms and have adapted well to the Year 4 routines and expectations.

Last half term we started out theme 'Folk', focusing on the Anglo-Saxons. Prior to the half term, we visited the historic site of Sutton Hoo where we saw royal burial mounds, explored the exhibition hall to see replicas of the findings in the grounds and took part in a tree trail. In English, we focused on the unit of suspense writing and in maths we explored place value as well as well as a new method for addition and subtraction known as the 'partitioning' method.

Moreover, we have also started to learn how to play the recorder in preparation for our Christmas concert.



PSHE



This half term our PSHE unit is called 'Celebrating Difference.' We will learn about respecting others, talking about what diversity is and how to celebrate our differences.



Our value this half term is -
Love



Our Learning So Far...

School radio - <https://drake-school.broadcast.radio/>

Our class page - <https://www.canva.com/design/DAG1kgalzh1/vFacYcVCSTTcOheLtAD-MA/edit>

This Half term

This half term, we are looking forward to continuing our topic by learning about Vikings.

In English we will be looking at 'Arthur's diary', taken from the book 'Arthur and the Golden Rope'. This will support us to write our own recount. In maths we will be starting to look at new strategies to support us with multiplication and division questions followed by statistics to interpret and present data.

We are excited to start our new design and technology project learning how to attach fastening and decorate book sleeves.



We are continuing to use The Zones of Regulation in class. Each class has a Zones of Regulation 'check-in' station, so that all pupils are able to express what zone they are in and how they are feeling. We are also starting to build on this work, by thinking about what strategies we can use to support us to regulate our emotions.

Dates for Diary

w/b 3rd Nov: Parents evenings

Friday 28th Nov: School of noise event

Thursday 4th Dec: Year 3 Christmas assembly, 9.00am

Tuesday 9th Dec: Panto @ Norwich Theatre - Cinderella

Thursday 11th Dec: Year 4 Christmas Lunch

Thursday 11th Dec: Christmas Jumper day

Thursday 18th Dec: Christmas Fayre and Lantern parade

Friday 19th Dec: Christmas holidays (finish at 1pm)

Home Learning



Reading: Please listen to your child read, we are aiming for 7 reads every week. Remember to record any reading in your reading record. Please bring your reading record to school every day.

Reading Comprehension: A text and questions will be sent home in a yellow homework book. Reading comprehension will be sent out on a Monday and needs to be returned the following Monday.

Spellings: A spelling list will be given out on Fridays, for a spelling check in school the following Friday.

Times Tables Rockstars: 3 min per day to practise timetables on TTRS.

PE lessons

PE: Year 4 will have PE every Tuesday afternoon. We will be practising gymnastics skills. Please come into school wearing PE kit on Tuesday and make sure long hair is tied back. Just a reminder that earrings are not to be worn in school for safety.

Forest school dates:

Turing class: 7th, 21st, Nov, 5th, 12th Dec

Maathai class: 14th, 28th, Nov 12th Dec

Sustainability- Year of the tree

Introducing 'The Lord of the trees' the Lime tree!

Year 4 will be observing a lime tree in KS1 playground. They will track seasonal changes and collect data.

