

Year 4 newsletter

Autumn 2 Newsletter.

Welcome back, Year 4 :-) Thank you for your support with your child/children's reading and homework last half term. The children receive house points for submitting homework and can either send it on Dojo or bring it in so I can display this. This half term we are looking at coasts and erosion in Geography, religious festivals in R.E, light and dark in Art and so many more interesting things!

Reading: We are encouraging children to read 30 minutes a day at home. This can be independently or with an adult. Every Monday we will be checking your children's reading records to encourage this (house points up for grabs). Reading records can be used by children themselves to tell what they have read.

Library: Our library day will be Monday, please ensure your child comes to school with their library books. If your child has lost their library book, please can you pay the replacement fee on parent pay which is £5.00

Outdoor learning: Tuesday afternoon. Please bring wellies and coats. This will be with Mrs Smith.

PE: Thursday and Friday.

Attendance: Attendance is key to ensure that the children can access the learning provided in school. However, please inform the office if your child is unwell.

Snacks: Children are allowed a healthy snack every breaktime. We encourage fruit or vegetables. No chocolate or crisp.

Homework: Attached is a homework sheet, we encourage everyone to do one task a week and upload it to class DOJO. We will be monitoring homework hand ins.

This year the children do something called the MTC (a multiplication times check) in the Summer term. We are practising our times tables daily and we do this for a morning task 3x a week. We ask for this to be practised at home too (little and often is all it needs to be) and if we can practise on GARAGE mode. This allows their heat maps to be the most up to date and helps me identify further anything we need to really work on.

Class DOJO: This year we will be using class DOJO a lot more to interact and communicate with parents and guardians, this will include **any Friday awards**. We post a lot of our classroom journey on here, so if you would like to see what happens in year 4 keep your eye on class DOJO.

Any worries, concerns or positive feedback can be messaged directly to Miss Hargreaves on class DOJO, you can contact her between 7am and 4:30pm. Please note, any messages sent after this time will be responded to the next working day.

Homework ideas.

There is one idea per week (not including spellings, TT rockstars and reading).

1. Practise shading when drawing, how does shading improve your picture?
2. Create a water cycle leaflet
3. Look at Diwali in more detail and create a storyboard re-telling this story.
4. Write your own story based on a character you have made up?
5. Create your own science experiment using ice, how long does it take to melt? What does it turn from? E.g. solid and liquid and gas.
6. Create a Spanish fruit poster.
7. Create a global warming poster.

Spelling—practise these spellings weekly. Although we don't have weekly spelling tests anymore, these words have come from the Year 3/4 spelling list and it is useful to practise them. You can put them in a sentence to show your understanding too.

Week 1—experiment, extreme, famous, favourite, February

Week 2 - forward(s), fruit, grammar, group, guard, guide

Week 3—heard, heart, height, history, imagine, increase

Week 4—important, interest, island, knowledge, learn

Week 5—learn, length, library, material, medicine

Week 6—mention, minute, natural, naughty, notice, occasion

Week 7 -often, opposite, ordinary, particular, peculiar, perhaps

Reading—make sure you are reading 3 times a week and are recording this in your reading journal.

Maths—TT rockstars practise. This is better done little and often to secure the speed of them.

November 25 - Key Dates

3.11.25 - Fire Safety talks
4.11.25 - Communion before Confirmation ,
4.11.25 - Children's Wellbeing café at breaktime with Mrs Woodhead
4.11.25 - KS2 first Communion
5.11.25 - Bonfire night themed lunch
5.11.25 - Community Cafe
6.11.25 - Knit and Natter 10.00am
6.11.25 - School Open Day 1.45am - 5.30pm
7.11.25 - Year 6 visiting Cliffe Castle
7.11.25 - Bonfire Night Party in Explorers
10.11.25 - Anti-Bullying Week starts
11.11.25 - Remembrance Day 2-minute silence collective worship for the children
11.11.25 - Remembrance Day service and artwork display after school at 3.30 - parent's welcome
13.11.25 - Cross Country - Highfield recreation ground
14.11.25 - Children in Need - more information to follow
14.11.25 - Boccia Tournament - more information to follow
14.11.25 - The school's annual safeguarding compliance check
17.11.25 - Anti-bullying
18.11.25 - Road Safety Day - whole school
19.11.25 - Year 5 parents and carers assembly 9.00am-10.00am
19.11.25 - Community Cafe
20.11.25 - Oxenhope's Got Talent
21.11.25 - Year 2 visiting KWVR
24.11.25 - Assessment Week - Y1 to Y6
26.11.25 - Boy's Football Tournament at Lady Royd School - More information to follow
27.11.25 - Year 5 attending the BDAT Carol Concert at Bradford Cathedral