

Year 4 Curriculum Newsletter



We hope you had a restful break and feel recharged for an exciting half-term leading up to Christmas! This season brings a wonderful mix of engaging topics and festive activities that will inspire and energise us all. As we dive back into Autumn 2, there's so much to look forward to! We'll be exploring the fascinating world of Ancient Greeks and their Legacy, reading about and writing our own Greek Myths and Legends and studying Living Things and Habitats. While we settle back into school this half term through our lessons, work and routines, we want you to know that we will do our very best to ensure your child is supported through every step along the way.

Curriculum Overview

Attached to this curriculum letter, you will find a curriculum overview of the things that we will be covering in our learning this term and the weekly timetable.

School Timings

Just a quick reminder that our classroom doors will open at **8:35am** and school finishes at **3:15pm**. If you arrive **after 8:50am**, please take your child to the school office first - thank you.



Attendance and Punctuality

Children need to be in school **every day** and **on time**. Face-to-face education is important in helping pupils to fulfil their potential. During school time, pupils should be in class with their teachers and peers and enjoying all the benefits that this brings.

Physical Education

PE will be on a **Monday** and **Thursday** this term. P.E kits should be brought in on a **Monday** and will be sent home on **Friday** to be washed.

As the weather is becoming colder, tracksuits bottoms and your child's school jumper are suitable for outdoor games. Appropriate footwear is essential. Please make sure children do not wear jewellery to school on these days and that they have a hair band/bobble to tie their hair back, for health and safety purposes.

Home Learning

Children will be expected to practise their weekly spellings at home. These will be given to the children on a **Monday** and stuck into their reading records. The children will then have a short spelling test on a **Friday**. This means it is even more important that **reading records are in school every day**. We thank you for your support with this.



Try to play TTRS at least three times a week but we encourage them to access it as many times as they wish.

Online Safety

A reminder that children should be supervised when using the internet. There are filters available and child-friendly search engines such as 'Google Kids'. Children are not permitted to use social media such as Facebook, Instagram or TikTok until they are aged 13+.

<https://www.bbc.com/ownit/take-control/understanding-age-ratings>



Reading

Children are expected to read with an adult for 20 minutes at least 3 times per week. They all have 1 library book and some children may have additional books to support their learning. If they are reading library books, they need to be of an appropriate level in order to read alone. If they have two books, one may be harder and is for you to share together. Books and reading records are expected to be in school at all times. Our library time will be confirmed at a later date with the children.



As always, your continued support is very much appreciated. If you do wish to discuss anything with us, please do contact the school office or arrange a meeting after school.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Begum
Giraffe Class Teacher



Mr Smith
Ostrich Class Teacher



Year 4 Weekly Timetable - Autumn

	8:40 - 8:55	8:55- 9:30	9:30-10:30	10:30- 10:45	10:45 - 11:00	11:00-12:00	12:00- 12:50	12:50- 13:15	13:15-14:05	14:05-14:55	14:55- 15:10
Monday	Early morning work	Reading Journey	English	Break	Mental fluency	Maths	Lunch	Spelling	PE - Tag Rugby	Music	KS2 Assembly
Tuesday	Early morning work	Reading Journey	English		Mental fluency	Maths		Spelling	Geography / History		Faith Assembly
Wednesday	Early morning work	Reading Journey	English		Mental fluency	Maths		Handwriting	Science	Art / DT	Class Assembly
Thursday	Early morning work	Reading Journey	English		Mental fluency	Maths		Handwriting	PE - Football	PSHE	KS2 Singing Assembly
Friday	Early morning work	Reading Journey	English		Mental fluency	Maths		Spelling test	Spanish	RE	Celebration Assembly

Computing will be taught in a weekly block every half term.

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Subject		Autumn 1			Autumn 2	
Topic		Rise of the Robots and Raging Rivers			Let the Games Begin	
Trips		Portals to the Past <i>Greek theme: Ancient Greeks</i>				
Spoken and Written Word	Reading	The Wild Robot			The Wild Robot, Encyclopaedia, Christmasaurus	
	Writing	Robot Ate My Homework	The Lost Thing	Poetry: Theme counting	Greek Myths and Legends	Flanimals
	Spanish	Comer Sano			Ricitos de Ora y los tres osos	
STEM	Maths	Addition, subtraction, place value, Roman numerals				
	Science	Electricity			Living Things and Habitats	
	Computing	Online Safety			Creating media - PowerPoint	
	Design Technology	Skuttle bugs				
Physical Well-being	PE	Monday: Netball			Monday: Tag rugby	
		Thursday: Outdoor adventurous activities			Thursday: Football	
Creative & Performance Arts	Art	Eric Joyner (watercolour): robots and Donuts				
	Music	Listen 2 Me			Listen 2 Me	
Emotional Wellbeing	RE	Christianity: Messages			Christianity: Waiting	
	PSHE	Facing Emotions			Friendship	
Humanities	History				Ancient Greeks and their Legacy	
	Geography	Rivers (Nepal)				