

YEAR 4 NEWSLETTER

AUTUMN TERM

Welcome to Year 4!

We have lots of exciting learning planned for this term, which will be outlined in the newsletter below.

The children are very fortunate to be supported in class by Mrs Walford and Miss Robinson.

Mrs Verge will teach the class PE, and Miss Rennie will teach the class on Fridays.

In Term 2, we will also be taking part in Forest School, which will provide the children with lots of exciting opportunities for outdoor learning

What We Are Learning

Maths

Block 1: Place Value

Understand the place value of numbers up to 10,000.

Compare, order and partition numbers up to 10,000.

Round numbers to the nearest 10, 100 or 1000.

Read and write Roman Numerals.

Block 2: Addition & Subtraction

Add and subtract 4-digit numbers using the column method.

Block 3: Area

Know what area is and calculate it by counting squares.

Block 4: Multiplication & Division A

Use times tables facts to count in multiples and divide by 3, 6, 7, 9, 11 and 12.

English

We will be reading the following books and linking our writing to these:

The Iron Man

Journey

We will also be using The Lighthouse (a short video) to inspire our creative writing.

We will also use facts learnt during our Tudor history topic to do some non-fiction writing.

Grammar & punctuation

Use apostrophes for possession (singular and plural).

Use there, their and they're correctly.

Use and punctuate fronted adverbials.

Use co-ordinating conjunctions to extend sentences.

Identify and use subordinate clauses.

Punctuate speech accurately.

Use prepositions to extend noun phrases.

Topics

Science: Sound & Electricity

History: The Tudors

Computing: The internet & Audio production

Geography: Locate countries and map skills

Art & DT: Drawing / painting portraits
Textiles

Music: Poetry performance & Carol concert

RE: What does it mean to be a Hindu in Britain today?

What can we learn about right and wrong?

PE: Tag rugby, Netball & basketball

PSHE: Safety and the changing body

Home learning

Home learning will continue to consist of a learning menu.

This year, the compulsory tasks are:

- **Times tables:** Practise times tables for at least 10 minutes, 3–4 times a week. This term, we will be recapping the 3, 4, 6 and 8 times tables. Next term, we will be learning all about the 9 times table.
- **Reading:** Read for at least 15 minutes, 4 times a week. Once books have been completed, children can complete quizzes on Accelerated Reader.
- **Spelling:** Weekly spelling tests will take place on a Friday. Spelling lists will be given out at the start of each term.

Home learning menus will also contain a range of optional, topic-based tasks for children to choose from.

Reminders

Please ensure that your child has their PE kit in school each day, including a tracksuit for outdoor PE. If your child has their ears pierced, please make sure they can either remove their earrings on PE days or have some tape in their PE bags to cover earrings.

If you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch via your child's contact book or talk to us at the end of the day. The class email is yearfour@high-firs.kent.sch.uk and this can be used to get in touch with staff or to send in home learning tasks if necessary.

Timetable

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	P.E			Miss Rennie will be teaching Year 4. P.E Spelling test