



Welcome



to



Year 4!





Curriculum

Our topic this term is 'Exploring the Classics'. This is a whole school focus that carries many exciting cross-curricular learning opportunities! We will focus on all things classic, from books to music. Alongside this we will explore our class book.

During the Spring term our topic focus will be 'Let there be light'. This will have a big focus on science and energy.

Our Summer term topic is 'Who do you think you are?' Our work will be celebrating 2019, the year of indigenous cultures. This will have a strong Geography focus linked to Culture and PSHE.





Home Learning

Spellings

We are continuing to the scheme called 'No Nonsense Spelling' this focuses on learning and applying spelling rules. Homework will relate to the spelling rule for that week alongside the school Focus.

Literacy

In order to support our speaking and listening focus, we will continue to send home poems which we encourage the children to learn and perform to the class. Your child will also be completing a Speaking and Listening task this term and more information will be provided closer to the time.

Maths

Please continue to support your child with Doodle-maths at home **as well as times tables**.

As with previous years, you will also receive a home learning grid. This is an optional task, but is a great opportunity for your child to take a little more ownership of their learning.

Please see the separate sheet for more details.





Reading

As in previous years, your child will bring home two reading books and a reading record every day. One book will be at your child's current level and the other will be one level above to encourage progress. Please make every effort to read with your child as often as possible and take a few minutes to write a comment in their reading record book.

If your child is reading a separate book at home, please record this too!



We will aim to listen to your child read at least twice a week in school. Once will be as part of a group session (guided reading) with the other being on a 1-1 basis. If your child needs to change their books before they have read to us then they are free to do this independently.





P.E.

Children will have P.E. every Friday afternoon. Please make sure that your child has their P.E. Kit in school at the beginning of each week and that it remains in school all week. You are then welcome to take your child's P.E. Kit home to wash on a Friday afternoon! Swimming will be starting Friday 28th September and will take the place of our weekly P.E. session



Just a reminder that P.E. Kits should consist of a plain blue t-shirt (available from the office), black shorts and trainers.



Children are not permitted to wear any type of jewellery. Therefore, please remove your child's earrings before school or ensure that they are able to do this for themselves.





Websites / Useful Links

www.mathematicshed.com

www.oxfordowl.co.uk

www.cbbc.co.uk

www.cool-mathsgames.co.uk

www.topmarks.co.uk

www.doodlemaths.co.uk

www.prodigygame.com

Also the home learning grid which you will find on the school website and pre-learning which we will inform you about on Fridays.





Rewards

We use the Class Dojo system throughout the school. Children are awarded points for good behaviour, working hard and showing good manners. Children are also given Dojo points for returning and completing home learning tasks.

We continue to use the 'Good to be Green' behaviour system. This is displayed in your child's classroom. Children who remain on green can be rewarded by being chosen to go to the Good to be Green celebration!

Please continue to use Dojo messaging, it has been an excellent way of keeping in contact with our families. Please send us pictures of what your child has been up to out of school too from achievements and activities to evidence of homework grid tasks or news that they may wish to share to support their oracy skills.

Independence

We encourage our children to take responsibility for their own belongings. This includes having P.E. kits, reading folders, water bottles, and correct uniform in school. In turn we continue to encourage them to return home with appropriate items and to build confidence and independence as they go about everyday life in school!

Finally, thank you for your continued support and, if you have any further questions or concerns please do not hesitate to pop in and see us.

Mr Andre, Mrs Gilbert, Mrs Gannonells and the
Year 4 team.





The Year 4 Team

Stick of the Dump

Mr Andre' - Class teacher

The Wind in the Willows

Mrs Gilbert- Class teacher
Anna Marie Drost - AEN Support
Harland Kellett - AEN Support

The Little Prince

Mrs Gangonells—Class teacher
Mrs Gladdis - AEN Support
Mrs Jennings—AEN Support

Miss Pilsworth—LSA support and Interventions

