

Year 4 Newsletter

Autumn 1 Term 1 2026/27



We hope that you all had a wonderful summer break!
This newsletter will provide you with information on the half term ahead.
If you have any further queries, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Best wishes,

The year 4 team

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Geography – Food and Agriculture.

This half term, we will be carrying out lots of fieldwork in our local area to help us answer our **Enquiry Question**:

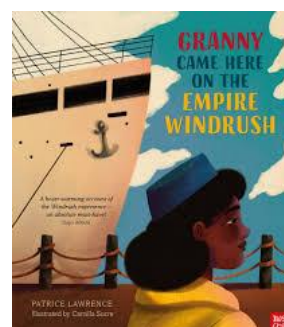
Our topic this half term is Food and Agriculture! We will be having a geography focus and looking at the environmental impact of food production. We will look at where food comes from in the local area with some fieldwork as well as looking at Fair Trade, food miles and the impact of climate change.

Knowledge organisers will be sent home, which give more detail about the topic as well as some homework ideas. Please read these with your children and refer back to them throughout the topic. Children will be given gems for sharing homework in school.

We will be researching what our local area used to look like and identifying how it has changed. We will carry out mapping activities and identify human and physical features around us. We will carry out surveys to identify how our local area is used and learn to present our data using tables and graphs. We will discuss the impact of changes in society on the natural environment, including learning about the impact of climate change. We will evaluate our local area's strengths and weaknesses and think about changes we would like to make.

English – Granny Came Here on the Empire Windrush

This half term, we will be reading *Granny came here on the Empire Windrush*. This story introduces the children to the Windrush and all the inspirational people that came from it. The children will engage with a variety of different writing techniques to build-up to writing a factual report on an inspirational person.



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Reading – One of the most effective ways you can support your child with their academic progress and development is through reading together regularly. Your child will receive a book from school which they should look after, and bring into school each day.

Children should be reading at home each day, with an adult, for 20 minutes.
Please sign your child's reading record each day to show they are reading daily and so they can earn rewards in school. Please note, there is a £5 charge for lost books.



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Maths -

In Maths we will begin by focusing on place value to 10,000 and using this to support written addition and subtraction. Children will be recapping all the times tables they have learnt so far and work on faster recall of these facts. Please practise times tables with your children as they will help build your child's confidence and fluency in Maths. By the end of Year 4 all children should know all their times tables fluently.



You can support your child at home by completing the homework they receive each Friday and practising times tables.

Don't forget to log on to Times Tables Rockstars <https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/student>

Science - Our science focus this term is *Animals including Humans*. This half term, we will be learning about humans and other animals with a focus on teeth and digestion. The children will have the chance to engage with a variety of fun scientific investigations to truly explore their topic.

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R.E – This half term our Big Question in RE is **How and why to Hindu people worship at home and in the Mandir?**

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P.E – In PE this half term we will be focusing on Tri-Golf as well as Gymnastics

All children **must** wear their PE kit into school on the specified days. PE kit should consist of plain navy (black if necessary) bottoms (leggings, shorts or tracksuit bottoms), a white school t-shirt or gem house t-shirt and trainers. This should be worn with a school jumper or cardigan. **Children must bring a clean school t-shirt to change into after P.E.**

4BW	Wednesday	Thursday
4GS	Tuesday	Wednesday

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PSHE - This half term, we will be learning about health and wellbeing with a specific focus on physical health and fitness. The children will have the time to discuss and present their views on how to stay healthy both mentally and physically.

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SPANISH – In Year 4, the children will recap phonetics and learn about ‘Presenting ‘Myself’.

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Music - This half term, we will be continuing to work with Duncan to develop our singing, composition and performance skills.

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Computing – In computing this half term, we will be learning to create media. We will be using a program called ‘Audacity’ to produce some audio.



On behalf of the Year 4 team, we look forward to working with you this half term.
Thank you in advance for your support and please do contact your class teacher if you have any questions.