



Welcome to Class 4's Autumn Overview



Dear Parents and Carers,

A warm welcome to Class 4! The children have settled into their new class very well and are becoming familiar with the expectations of their new class. We are very proud of them all. This year will be an exciting and busy year, and so we want to support you in every way we can. You will receive information about whole school matters through school letters, but we also wanted to send you our own information about Class 4 through a newsletter.

Remember we are using Google Classroom for spellings, homework and updates.

Thank you, Mrs Heerin, Mrs Kennedy and Mrs Errington



Maths

We are focusing on number and place value within 10, then on to 20, addition and subtraction within 10 and geometry and shape for year 1. We are looking at the same with year 2 but using numbers to 100.

We will be practising our counting skills, forwards and backwards to 100, including recognising and writing numbers.

Year 1 will be practising the 2, 5 and 10 times tables and mental arithmetic to improve our rapid recall skills. Year 2 will begin to learn 3 and 4 times tables.

We will also practice key instant recall facts.

We will be sending home a log in for times table rockstars soon to help your child learn their tables. TTRockstars is a brilliant way of having fun whilst learning times tables. Look out for battles against other classes!



English

This term in English we will look at non-fiction writing, poetry and story writing.

We will practice our phonics daily, including spellings and common exception words throughout the term.

In our reading sessions we will practice our comprehension skills to help our understanding of a text.

Grammar, punctuation, spelling and handwriting will be practised daily in class. We will be completing spellings from the Year 1/2 word lists.

Finally, we will be encouraging all children to speak clearly in full sentences, as this is a focus.



RE

The first topic that we will look at this term is Beginnings (Domestic Church). In this topic, we will look at how God created our wonderful world. We will also take some time to look at Baptism and think about what happens when someone is baptised in church.

We take time to think about other religions and this term we will look at Judaism in which we will learn about Shabbat in a Jewish Family.

In our Advent/Christmas, we will focus on Advent as a time of waiting and preparing. We will also look at the Christmas story, the birth of Jesus.

Science

During the Autumn term Year 1 will be learning about Animals including humans. We will be studying skeletons, body parts and how to keep our bodies healthy.

We will then be exploring plants and how they grow healthily.



Year 2 will be learning about living things and their habitats. We will be looking in more detail at microhabitats.

pe

Our P.E lessons are delivered by Mr Poole. The children will learn the rules of various net and wall games including throwing, catching and scoring.

They will practise various techniques and then practise these against their opponents. The children will build on their teamwork skills from last year.

This will take place on a Thursday morning, so remember to have PE Kits in school (White tops/red shorts and plimsols/trainers).

Computing

We will be learning about coding – how to code a simple program.

We will also be introducing the children to e-safety. Please encourage safe internet use at home and good and legal use of social networks. Thank you.

French

Bonjour! In French we will be learning to say hello, goodbye and parts of the body



We will learn how to say some simple commands.
Au revoir!

History & Geography

We will be learning all about the Great Fire of London and how London is now. How did the fire start? What is London like now? What impact did the fire have on London and how it changed lives now?



Homework

Reading is very important! Please listen to your child read regularly and ensure they bring their reading book and record to school every day. It would be appreciated if you could also write a comment to let us know how your child is getting on at home with their reading.

Spellings will be sent home every other Friday. Please help your child to learn their words each week for a test the following Thursday.

Art, Music and D&T

Art will be based around our London topic then some fire art including collage and silhouettes.

In Music the children will be listening to music from other cultures. The first topic is called 'Hands, feet and heart'.

In D&T children will be learning how to use wheels and axis to create their own fire engines.

Important Dates!

The last school day of this half-term is Thursday 21st October.

Children return to school on Monday 1st November.

School is closed on Friday 26th November.

Christmas holiday begins on Friday 17th December.

Don't forget to visit our website for more information: <https://etking.npeat.org.uk/>

