

Welcome to Class 8's Summer Overview



Dear Parents and Carers,

The children are now in their last term of Year 4. We have had a fantastic year together and we are very proud of the progress they have all made. You will receive information about whole school matters through school letters, but we also wanted to send you our own information about Year 4 through a newsletter.

Thank you, Miss Sawdon, Miss Hobson and Mrs Kay.



Maths

We are focusing on decimals, money, time, statistics, shape and position and direction this term. Times tables and mental arithmetic will be practised daily to improve our rapid recall skills. By the end of Year 4 we expect children to know all times table facts up to 12x12. In June, the children will sit a statutory multiplication test to check their knowledge.

Times tables tests will be completed frequently to practise quick recall. Please continue to practise regularly with your child at home so the children feel confident and ready for the test.

TTRockstars is a brilliant way of having fun whilst learning times tables. Look out for battles against other classes! Children can also use Hit the Button and Times Table check to practice quick recall of facts.



RE

Our first topic that we will look at this term is Energy which is based on the celebration of Pentecost. In this topic, we will explore the coming of the Holy Spirit. We will also explore the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the Universal Church.

This term, we look forward to some of our Year 4 children receiving the Holy Eucharist for the first time. Please make sure you attend all preparation meetings on a Tuesday after school if you are celebrating this special sacrament.

English



This term, we will look at the genres of story-writing, diary entries, letters, poetry, persuasive posters and non-chronological reports. All our writing will link to our History topic, Ancient Greeks.

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

Grammar, punctuation, spelling and handwriting will be practised daily in class.

We will now be moving on to spellings from the Year 4 word lists and explore how sentences can be written using different structures.

Science

During the Spring term we will be learning about Our Allotment and begin growing our own herbs and vegetable.

We will then be exploring Sound.



PSHE

This term in PSHE we will be exploring how we continue to explore our health and well-being, living in the wider world and how to maintain good friendships with others.



pe

This term in PE our topics are cricket and athletics.

They will learn a range of techniques and rules of the game.

P.E lessons will take place on a Monday afternoon and a Thursday morning, so remember to have PE Kits in school (White tops/red shorts and trainers).



French

Bonjour! In French we will be learning about different celebrations and French cities. We will also continue to practice basic facts such as numbers to 30 and days of the week.





Au revoir!

Art, Music and D&T

Art will be based around pottery artist; the children will explore sculpture and pottery skills.

In Music the children will be listening to Blackbird by The Beatles and learning to play the song on a glockenspiel.

In D&T children will be planning and making a healthy soup using herbs and vegetables from our allotment.

Computing

This term, we will be exploring coding and programming a car to move.

Please encourage safe internet use at home and good and legal use of social networks.

Thank you.

History

This term our history topics is History. We will learn about Ancient Greece and how archaeological findings tell us more about how the Greeks lived.



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. Children are now expected to access Reading Plus at home. Please try to ensure they complete 3 reading lessons per week at home.

Spellings will continue to be sent home on a Friday and your child will be tested on the following Thursday. Please help your child to learn their words each week for the test.