

General Information and Reminders

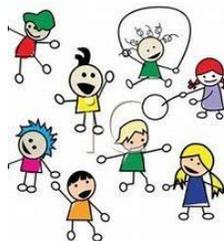
PE

PE will take place on Fridays. Please ensure that your child has the correct PE uniform in school every day:

- blue shorts/tracksuit trousers
- a grey t shirt
- plimsolls or a change of trainers for outside

Please ensure all clothes and plimsolls are clearly labelled with your child's name.

PE in Year 4 is taught by Mr Spadaccini. The children will also be going to Hampstead Heath on **Friday afternoons** with Year 6. This is a reasonable walk from school so please ensure that children do have tracksuit trousers, trainers and waterproof coats.



Trips

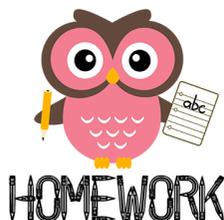
Thursday 12th September- Buckingham Palace
Tuesday 26th November- TATE Britain

Homework

Homework will be sent home on Thursdays and is due back the following Tuesday. Spellings will be set on Thursdays and tested on Mondays. Times tables tests will also be on Mondays.

Homework should take approximately 1½ hours per week and will cover a range of tasks including: reading regularly; learning weekly spellings; times tables.

If you feel that your child has spent sufficient time on his/her homework but has not finished the work set that is fine. We all work at different levels, so ensure your child achieves what is appropriate for his/her ability.



Class assembly

Our class assembly this term will take place on Friday 8th November at 10am. All parents, carers and family members are warmly invited! There will also be a maths parent workshop beforehand at 9am.

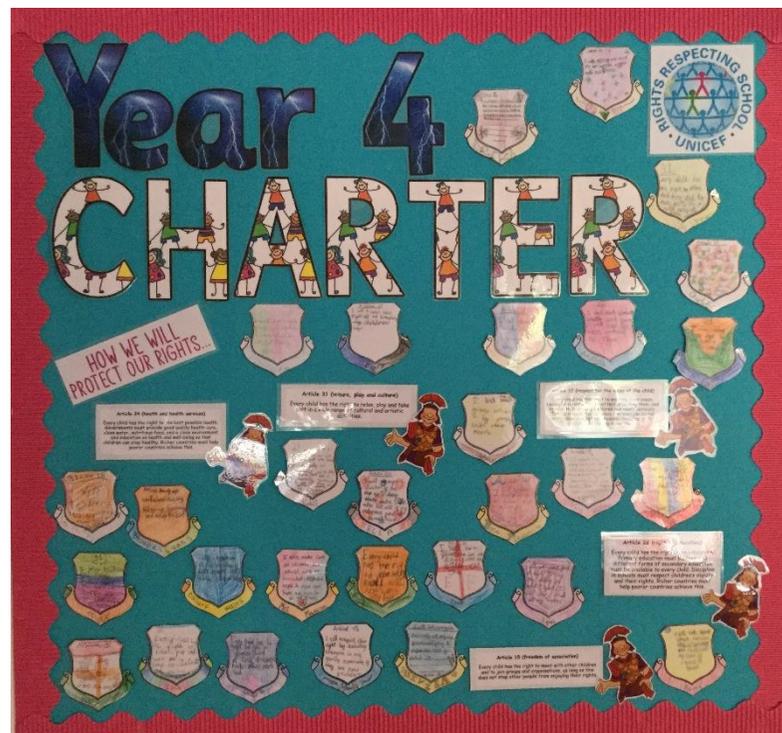
Reminders

- Please ensure all school clothes are named to prevent items getting lost.
- If your child is absent from school, please phone the school office on the first day of absence and write a note on his/her return.
- Your child has been given a Christ Church water bottle. Please make sure your child's water bottle is in school every day.
- **In response to parent feedback, we no longer give out cakes, sweets or any food/non-food items which are sent in from home.**



Christ Church School, Hampstead

A village school in London inspiring *life in all its fullness*



Welcome to Year 4

Autumn Term 2019



Year Four

Class Teacher: Miss Brenta

Support Staff: Mrs Maguire and Miss Heaton

Other adults working with Y4: Ms James (music), Mr Spadaccini (PE), Mr Chelaru (French) and Ms Robertson (recorders)

Welcome to Year 4! I hope you all had a wonderful and well-deserved summer break. This leaflet outlines our class topics, trips and general information for this term. We have already been working very hard and looking forward to what is coming up this term. As always, if you have any worries or concerns or would like further information about this term's curriculum, please do not hesitate to book an appointment to discuss these with me.

Kind regards, Miss Lauren Brenta



Our rich and varied curriculum is one of the ways we aim to inspire life in all its fullness in our school.

Our Christian Vision

We were asked to summarise our school's Christian vision in under 50 words and this is what we came up with:

Jesus, The Good Shepherd, promises 'life in all its fullness'. (JOHN 10:10)

At Christ Church we believe every child and adult in our school should be able both to experience life in all its fullness now and to aspire to life in all its fullness in the future.

English



English will be taught through the genres of newspapers and stories with historical settings. We will work on a range of spelling, punctuation, grammar and reading skills through learning related to these genres.

Maths

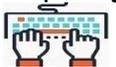


We will be covering a range of topics:

- Place Value
- Shape and Data
- Adding and Subtracting
- Fractions

We will continue with our weekly times table tests and there will also be some arithmetic tests.

Computing



We will be using programs such as word and publisher to publish newspaper reports. We will also be working on our touch typing and on our programming skills with Probots and Scratch.

RE



This term we will be discussing "Who is Jesus". We will look at passages from the Bible and statements made by Jesus and learn about what these mean to Christians and how they live their lives. We will think about the different ways Jesus describes himself: as the light of the world, bread, the good shepherd and a vine. We will then move on to look at the Beatitudes which Jesus taught during the Sermon on the Mount. Finally, our learning at Christmas time will focus on the message of peace at Christmas time.

History



In the first half of this term we will be learning about Prehistory. We will be looking at how people lived in the Stone, Bronze and Iron Ages and comparing it to our lives now. We will continue our journey through time by looking at the Romans and the Roman Empire. We will learn about life in Roman cities in Britain such as Bath.

Geography



Geography this term will look at the continents and we will practise our atlas skills by searching for the countries of Europe. We are then going on to study climate zones and biomes and find out how these can create certain weather patterns. We will also look at earthquakes, tsunamis and volcanoes and why they occur.

PSHE



Our PSHE week takes place during the week commencing Monday 30th September 2019 and will focus on positive relationships (including anti-bullying) and celebrating diversity. We will have an odd sock day and also make and swop friendship bracelets.

PE



In PE lessons with Mr Spadaccini, Year 4 will be learning the six basic basketball skills of running, jumping, passing, catching, dribbling and shooting. They will learn defensive and offensive skills and strategies and learn to demonstrate these in game play.

Music



We will be designing our own instruments. We will explore: how they instruments are made; different materials and how they sound; and existing instruments and what we like or don't like about them. We will play our instruments together in our Funk Junk orchestra!

Art



Year 4 will create their own cave paintings inspired by the cave paintings in Lascaux, France, which we will study in History. We will also be making volcanoes in geography, using paper mache, as well as creating art work for our school Art Exhibition.

Design Technology

The children will be designing and making Roman style accessories from different materials and we will be sewing Christmas decorations.

Please see the reverse for general reminders and some key dates!