

General Information and Reminders

PE

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 3. This is a reasonable walk from school so please ensure that children do have tracksuit trousers, trainers and waterproof coats.



Trips/Virtual Visits

St Albans Cathedral - Monday 5th February
CLC - Friday 1st March

Homework

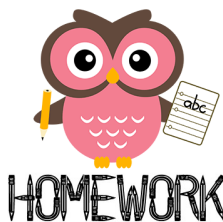
Homework will be sent home on Thursdays and is due back the following Tuesday.

Spellings and mental maths will be sent home on *Thursday* and tested on *Monday*.

Homework will cover a range of tasks and subjects over the term.

In addition, children will be expected to read regularly and learn weekly spellings and mental maths.

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 23rd February. All parents, carers and family members are warmly invited! A parent workshop on maths calculation strategies will take place at 9am in the Year 4 classroom prior to the assembly for those interested in joining.

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.
- **Please do not send sweets or any food/non-food items into school to celebrate birthdays, we are unable to hand these out to the other children in the class. Thank you.**



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Year Four Spring Term 2024



Year Four

Class Teacher: Mr Polidano and Miss Kaynak Support Staff: Mrs Maguire
Other adults working with Y4: Mr Spadaccini (PE), Mr Oliver (Music) and
Madame Pugalia (French)

Welcome to the second term in Year 4. We hope you all had a wonderful, restful Christmas and a very Happy New Year. All the staff in Year 4 are very much looking forward to working with you and your child again this term. 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 us.

Kind regards,
Mr Polidano and Miss Kaynak

Christ Church Arts Project (CAP) - whole school performance!

This term, we are very excited to be planning a whole school musical production for our Christ Church Arts Project! Every child will be singing and dancing on a big stage in the Church, with music, lights and costumes! There will be lots of hard work and rehearsals over this term as we work together as a whole school on what we hope will be an experience the children will remember forever!



The performances will take place on Thursday 21st March (pm) and Friday 22nd March (evening). More information, including about tickets and how you can help, will be shared with parents soon.

English



English will be taught through the genres of stories with a historical setting, syllabic poetry and fairy tales. We will work on a range of spelling, punctuation, grammar and reading skills through learning related to these genres and use set texts to inspire our creative writing. We will also be writing play scripts and explanation texts.

Maths



| Topics: | Key Learning: |
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| Multiplication and Division | Use formal written methods for multiplying and dividing; solve scaling and correspondence problems; times tables. |
| Fractions | Counting in fractions; improper fractions and mixed numbers; equivalence; adding and subtracting fractions. |
| Decimals | Learning about tenths and hundredths; dividing numbers by 10 and 100. |

Science



Later this term we will begin some science units, with the majority taking place in the summer term. We will begin our science work by learning about 'Living Things and their Habitats' and 'Electricity'. We will be learning about classification keys and simple circuits.

Computing



We will develop our understanding of how digital images can be changed and edited, and how they can then be resaved and reused. We will consider the impact that editing images can have, and evaluate the effectiveness of our choices. As part of our Online Safety work and our PSHE week, we will consider how to respond to people safely and appropriately online.

History



This term we will be learning about the Roman Invasion. We will learn about the Roman Empire, how it spread across Europe and how Rome was founded. We will also learn about the Roman way of life and learn how the Romans changed Britain.

RE



We will be learning about the Hindu faith this term. We will study what it means to be a Hindu and explore the importance of the symbols, beliefs and teachings of Hinduism. Our learning at Easter will be focused on how Holy Communion builds a Christian community. We will learn about the Last Supper and how it links with Christian worship today.

Geography



In Geography this term we will learn about the regions of Italy, the physical and human features of Italy and find out about the impact of Mt Vesuvius on the people of Pompeii. We will use our learning to make comparisons between Italy and Britain.

PSHE



Our PSHE week takes place during the week commencing Monday 29th January and is focused on keeping ourselves safe and healthy. In Year 4 we will take part in learning and workshops about first aid, medicines, oral hygiene, fire safety and water safety.

PE



We will begin with 'Health and Fitness' and identify elements of our performances which could be improved and then try to work on them. We will then move on to 'Skills Development' and will begin to develop our use of communication skills to support game play and tactics.

Music



This term the children will be learning the songs for our upcoming whole school production. The children will be continuing their development as singers within a choir with a focus on skills such as breathing techniques, applying accurate and relevant articulation which will enable them to bring the story to life with character and conviction. The children will get the opportunity to apply and showcase their talents in the whole school performance.

Art



This term we will be creating Roman mosaics, 3D volcanoes and landscape drawings. We will be developing our art skills with a focus on the use of paper mache to create a 3D form, perspective and the effect of light on objects drawn.

Design Technology

We will be learning about electrical systems by researching, designing and then making our own electrical devices with hidden circuits. We will focus on using simple circuits and switches and our project will link to our science topic on electricity. We will also learn about remote control.

French



We will combine and build on our knowledge about food items and telling the time from our French learning last year, to start to talk and read about meal times and daily routines this term. We will also revisit how to express an opinion or preference in French. We will also be watching a French play!

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