



Year 4 Newsletter

Autumn 1 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to Abbott! I hope you have all had a wonderful summer break. My name is Miss Harvey, and I am delighted to be your child's class teacher again this year. We are also very lucky to have Mrs McGiffin and Mrs Wiltshire supporting us in class.

This Autumn term we are learning lots of new and exciting things; please refer to the curriculum overview on this newsletter.

Reading will be a key priority this year, so please encourage your child to **read every day** and ensure their **reading book and record is signed and brought into school daily**. Our PE days will be **Tuesday and Friday** so children should come prepared on these days.

We also have the **Multiplication Tables Check** ahead, so regular daily practice at home on **Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS)** is very important. We're looking forward to a fantastic year together!



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Class Timetable



Year 4 Timetable: Autumn 1



	08:45 - 08:55	08:55 - 09:10	09:10 - 09:25	09:25 - 09:55	09:55 -10:50	10:50 - 11:05	11:10-12:15	12:15 - 12:30	12:30 - 13:15	13:15 - 13:30	13:30-14:10	14:10 - 14:20	14:20-15:00	15:00 - 15:15								
Monday	Morning Task / Registration					Handwriting	Spellings - MD	Shared Reading - MD	GPS + Literacy		Break	Maths		TTRS	Lunch	Reading Plus	Week 1: PSHCE Week 2 & 3: Science Week 4 &5: Geography Week 6 & 7: Art Week 8: Spanish		Break	Week 1: PSHCE Week 2 & 3: Science Week 4 &5: Geography Week 6 & 7: Art Week 8: Spanish		Singing Assembly
Tuesday									PE	GPS + Literacy		Literacy	Maths				PE	Week 1: PSHCE Week 2 & 3: Science Week 4 &5: Geography Week 6 & 7: Art Week 8: Spanish		Class Novel		
Wednesday									GPS + Literacy			Maths					Week 1: PSHCE Week 2 & 3: Science Week 4 &5: Geography Week 6 & 7: Art Week 8: Spanish			Class Novel		
Thursday									GPS + Literacy			Maths					Week 1: PSHCE Week 2 & 3: Science Week 4 &5: Geography Week 6 & 7: Art Week 8: Spanish			Class Novel		
Friday									MD – SRDF			MD - ECT GPS + Literacy					MD - ECT Maths			Celebration Assembly	MD - PPA Week 2 – 5: Computing Week 6 – 8 - Music	

Curriculum Overview



Maths

Unit 1: Place Value - 4-digit numbers (1)

- Recognise the place value of each digit in a 4-digit number (1,000s, 100s, 10s and 1s)

Unit 2: Place Value - 4-digit numbers (2)

- Identify, represent and estimate numbers using different representations.

Unit 3: Addition and Subtraction

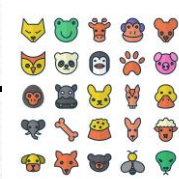
- Add and subtract numbers with up to 4 digits using the formal written methods of columnar addition and subtraction where appropriate.

English

The Promise - Nicola Davies



- Setting description
- Diary
- Eye-witness account
- Newspaper report
- List poem
- Persuasive leaflet



Science

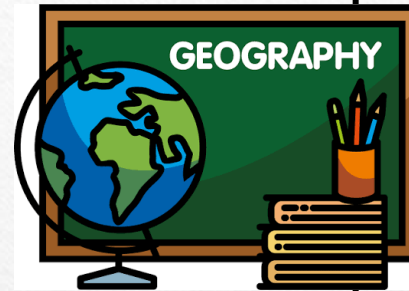


Animals including humans

- Describe the simple functions of the digestive system in humans.
- Identify different teeth in humans and name their functions.
- Know how to keep my teeth healthy.
- Identify and compare teeth of carnivores, herbivores and omnivores.
- Construct and interpret a variety of food chains identifying producers, predators and prey by examining animal faeces.
- Identify animal habitats in the locality and observe what they eat.

Art

Storytelling through
drawing

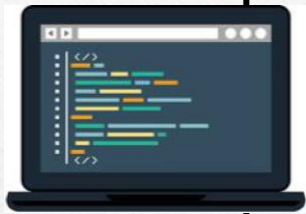


Geography

How and why is my local
area changing?

Computing

Unpacking Hardware
and Software



PE



- Salford Red Devils

Spanish

Colours

Animals



PSHCE

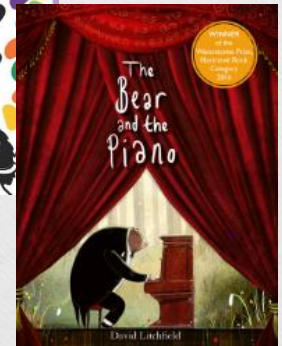
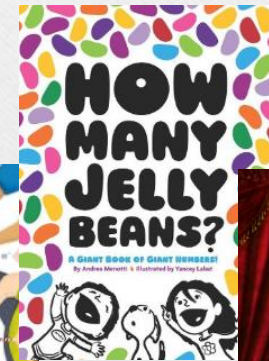
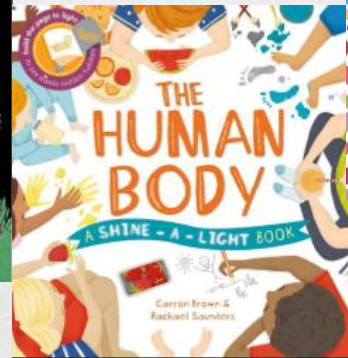
- Cycle Safety
- Coming Home on Time
- Jealousy

Reading

Children will continue to have independent reading books to take home, and they will begin to access the school library.

Reading books can be changed ANY day, as needed.

To further support independent reading for pleasure, take a look at the suggestions below that are linked to the topics and authors we are focusing on this half term:



Home Learning

Maths homework:

With the **Times Tables Check** coming up, regular daily practice at home will be really important. For maths homework, children should use **Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS)** to build their speed, accuracy and confidence with their times tables.

We'll also be having lots of exciting **TTRS competitions with Year 5**, so every practice session counts! High scores will help our class climb the leaderboard, so we encourage everyone to log in regularly, practise hard and do their very best. **Every point counts—let's see if we can become the TTRS champions!**



English homework:

Daily reading – Reading records to be signed and returned to school daily.

Spellings – Please encourage your child to regularly practise the spellings attached to the end of this newsletter.

Reading Plus – Children can access reading plus at home to improve their comprehension skills.

Spellings

accident
accidentally
actual
actually
address
although
answer
appear
arrive
believe
bicycle
breath
breathe
build
busy
business
calendar
caught

centre
century
certain
circle
complete
consider
continue
decide
describe
different
difficult
disappear
early
earth
eight
eighth
enough
exercise

experience
experiment
extreme
famous
favourite
February
forwards
fruit
grammar
group
guard
guide
heard
heart
height
history
imagine
increase

important
interest
island
knowledge
learn
length
library
material
medicine
mention
minute
natural
naughty
notice
occasion
occasionally
often
opposite

ordinary
particular
peculiar
perhaps
popular
position
possess
possession
possible
potatoes
pressure
probably
promise
purpose
quarter
question
recent
regular

reign
remember
sentence
separate
special
straight
strange
strength
suppose
surprise
therefore
though
thought
through
various
weight
woman
women