



BLEAK HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

Year Ahead Information
for Year 4
September 2026

Welcome to Year 4

Class Teachers

- Mrs Williams - 4W
- Mr Fletcher - 4F
- Mrs McDowell & Mrs Rimmer - 4MR

Learning Assistants

- Mrs Calderbank
- Miss Kaminski
- Mrs Selkirk
- Mrs Murphy
- Mrs Rafferty

Additional Teaching Staff

Mr Mason (PE)
Mrs Marsden (Dance)

The School Day

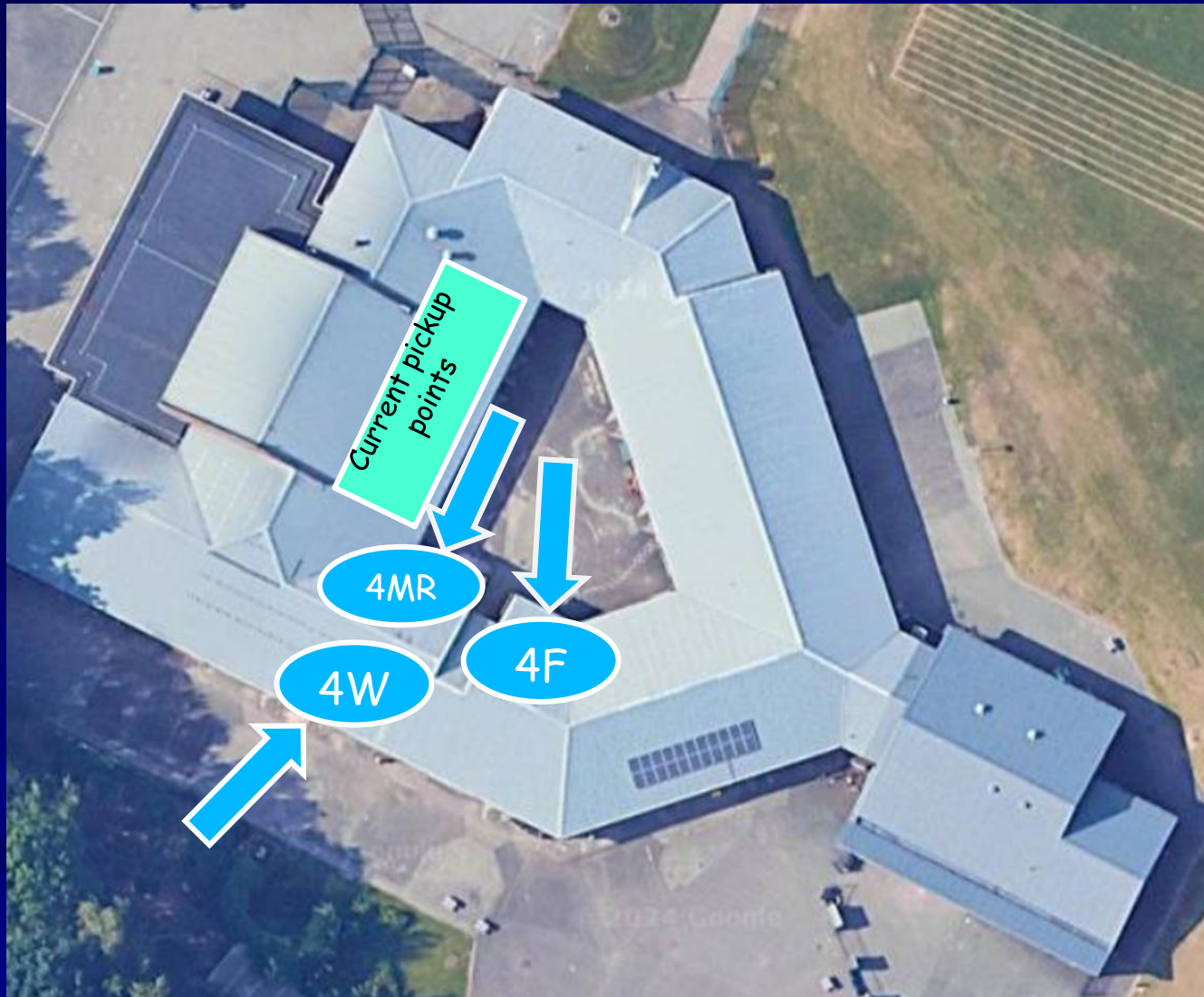
Start Time

8.45-9.00am

End Time

3.25pm

Year 4 Classrooms



Curriculum Overview



Bleak Hill Long Term Curriculum Overview Year 4 2026-2027



Year	Autumn A	Autumn B	Spring A	Spring B	Summer A	Summer B
English	<u>The Firework Maker's Daughter</u> Technical manual Character profile Narrative Radio advert	<u>How to train your Dragon</u> Rules / instructions Diary entry Dragon profile	<u>The Chronicles of Narnia</u> Fantasy adventure Poetry Imaginary Conversation	<u>Romeo and Juliet</u> Alternative ending Letter Setting Description	<u>How the World Works</u> Explanation Text Debate Persuasive advert	<u>Fantastic Mr Fox</u> Playscript Newspaper report Wanted Poster
Novel	Meet Matilda Rocket Builder		Finding her feet		Diary of a Future Billionaire	
Maths	Place Value Addition and Subtraction Length and Perimeter Multiplication and Division		Multiplication and Division Area Fractions Decimals		Decimals Money Time Statistics Properties of shapes Position and Direction	
Science	Changing Sound	Living Things and their habitats	States of Matter	Circuits and Conductors	Eating and Digestion	Scientists and Inventors
History		The Romans		Ancient Greece		Anglo Saxons, Scots and Picts
Geography	Rivers and the Water Cycle		North America		Spain and Catalonia	
Art & Design		<u>Sculpture</u> Yayoi Kusama		<u>Impressionism</u> Monet		<u>Collage</u> Georgia O'Keeffe
Design & Technology	<u>Structure</u> Making Mini Greenhouses		<u>Food Technology</u> American Food		<u>Electronics</u> Battery operated lights	

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PSHE	Being Me in My World	Celebrating Difference	Dreams and Goals	Healthy Me	Relationships	Changing Me
Religious Education	<u>Christianity</u> How and why might Christians use the Bible?	<u>Hinduism</u> What Hindus learn from Diwali?	<u>Sikhism</u> How do Sikhs express <u>their</u> beliefs and values?	<u>Christianity</u> Is sacrifice an important part of religious life?	<u>Islam</u> Why do Muslims fast during Ramadan?	<u>Christianity</u> What does 'love your neighbour' really mean?
Music (Charanga)	<u>Interesting Time Signatures</u> How does music bring us closer together?	<u>Combining Elements to Make Music</u> How does music connect us with our past?	<u>Developing Pulse + Groove Through Improvisation</u> How does music improve our world?	<u>Creating Simple Melodies Together</u> How does music teach us about our community?	<u>Connecting notes and feelings</u> How does music shape our way of life?	<u>Purpose, identity and expression in music</u> How does music connect us with the environment?
Spanish	Who am I? Numbers Days of the week	Fireworks Places around town	Spanish Epiphany Family Facial features	Body parts Colours Movements	Feelings Jungle animals	Weather Food likes + dislikes
Computing	Unpacking Hardware & Software Animation	Logo Sound Stories	Effective Searching	Coding	Composing beats	Introduction to AI
Physical Education	Basketball Athletics	Gymnastics Dodgeball	Yoga Fitness	Hockey Dance	Badminton Tag Rugby	Rounders Tennis
Significant People of interest	Cool Creators – Coco Chanel		Super Scientists – Alexander Fleming		Exciting Explorers and Freedom Fighters – Mahatma Gandhi	

Behaviour

At Bleak Hill, we have HIGH expectations of all pupils.

Have respect

Include everyone

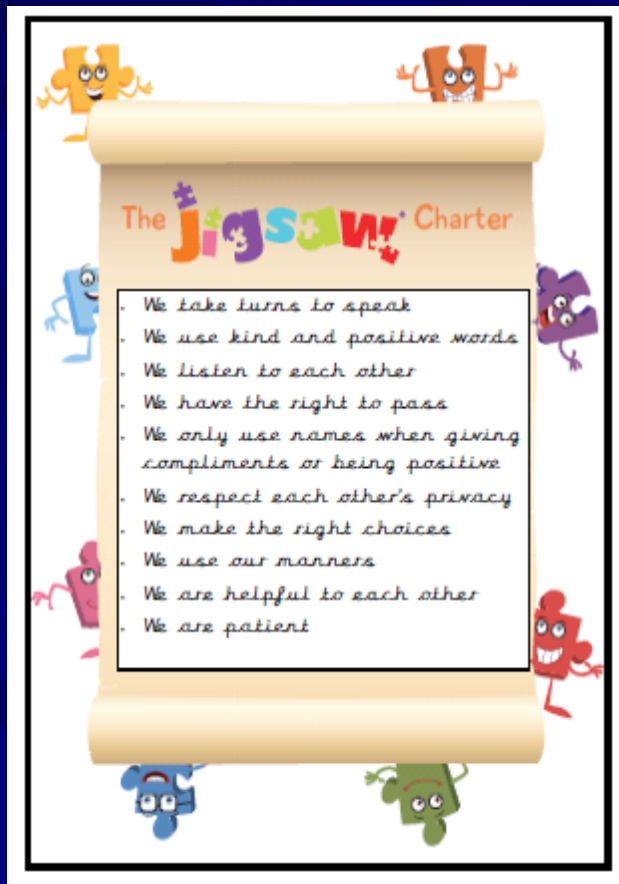
Give your best

Honesty always

Behaviour

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As part of our PSHE and Jigsaw lessons, we will create our Class Charter to make the classroom a safe and happy place to learn.



Reward System



1. Praise
2. Stickers
3. Thumbs up and Badges (MMe)
4. Weekly Merit Awards
5. Amazing Achievers Book
6. Share work with Mr Dagnall and Miss Haslam.

Reading

Whole Class Reading in school

The children will have daily reading lessons where they will be taught new skills and encouraged to apply them during their guided reading sessions and at home. The following reading skills will be covered.

Monday - Interrogate the Text

Tuesday - Vocabulary

Wednesday - Model and Mirror

Thursday - Warm Application

Friday - Cold Application

Reading

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Reading at home

- Children will choose a book from the school library. Once they have read it, they will complete a comprehension quiz on it.
- Reading diaries are to be taken home at the end of the school day to be recorded in. Children are encouraged to read everyday for around 20 minutes.
- Reading diaries should be brought back to school each morning and will be checked often by the class teacher.



'Reading is the beating heart...'

OFSTED 2024

Reading Record: 15th January 2024

	Book and Page	School	Home
Monday	Dog man pg 50-108	Melvin and Naomi; don't understand how they can be responsible without showing their responsibilities	Dog man
Tuesday	Quiz Dog man	10/10	Saka pg 41-53
Wednesday	Survivors The man who sucked blood from a shark	He capture shark and has no water so drank blood	Saka pg 53-66
Thursday	Survivors Hugh Page Glass 70	The rapper who grappled with a grizzly!!	Excellent Freddie You are a great little reader
Friday	Saka 66-82	9	Saka Pg 73-82
Saturday	Reading Rockstar!! Keep up the hard work.		Saka 82-93
Sunday	Miss Williams 		93-106

Notes/Messages

WCR: Enjoy the ride

Amazing
Achieves

Reading Record: 11th March 2024

	Book and Page	School	Home
Monday	Swimming		Bellingham pg 95-101
Tuesday	Bellingham pg 101-118	Dortmund v. in the German cup.	Bellingham 118-130
Wednesday	Bellingham 130-136	Jamal and Jude gave each other as rivals.	Bellingham pg 136-154
Thursday	Bellingham Pg 154-165	I have finished the book and have really enjoyed it.	Pogba page 126-130. Fantastic Freddie Well done! Grandma x Grandad x
Friday	Pogba pg 130-end	I really enjoyed the book	Zlatan pg 0-50
Saturday			Zlatan Pg 50-end
Sunday			Tom gates 0-30

Notes/Messages

Miss Williams recommends

I am a loser

By Barry loser

I think you would love it!

Let me know
what you think!



P.E

- P.E in Year 4 will be on two separate days **TBC**.
- The children **MUST** arrive at school in their P.E kit

P.E Kit

- Outdoor kit - tracksuit/hoodie/joggers
- Trainers - no laces unless they can independently tie them
 - P.E t-shirt in their house colour team

Football kits are not considered appropriate PE kit.

Homework

Reading each day and recording this in their reading diaries. Reading can be done independently or with an adult.

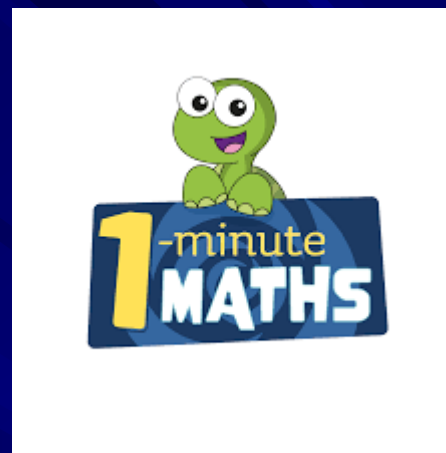
Spelling overviews will be on the class page on the website for your information.

Times Tables practice on Times Table Rock Stars (TTRS)

Half term Curriculum competitions

Multiplication Tables Check

- The Multiplication Tables Check (MTC) is statutory for all Year 4 pupils.
- The purpose of the MTC is to determine whether pupils can recall their times tables fluently, which is essential for future success in Mathematics.
- It will help schools to identify pupils who have not yet mastered their times tables, so that additional support can be provided.



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BOT ENABLED

110 ÷ 11

1230

1	2	3
4	5	6
7	8	9
Delete	0	Enter



Pricing

Schools

A screenshot of the Multiplication Tables Check interface showing a math problem $10 \times 12 =$ and a numeric keypad.

Multiplication Tables Check

Taking the MTC soon? Are you ready?

Use our check to see how well you will do in the MTC.

Following all the rules of the MTC, our check gives you valuable information and guidance on how to improve.

[Launch MTC](#)

Need more practice? Create a FREE account

Register and get a 7 day free trial of everything and free resources each month!

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See if You're Ready

Our MTC will help you know how ready you are and how you can improve your result.

- 25 questions per test
- 6 seconds per question
- Following Government specification
- Guidance on where to spend time practising

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➤ Useful website for times tables practice

- <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/7-11-years/multiplication-and-division>
- <https://www.timestables.co.uk/multiplication-tables-check/>
- [MTC - Multiplication Tables Check - URBrainy.com](#)
- [Times Tables Rock Stars: Play](#)

Year 4 Assessments

➤ Termly assessments in Maths, Reading, Grammar and Spellings as part of our school assessments.

➤ National times tables assessment (MTC Check).

There will be a 2 week window in which your child will be tested. The 2 week window will commence after the May half term.

The 2-week window will commence from
Monday 14th June 2027.

Year 4 Trips

Autumn

- Rivers trip **TBC** - linked to Geography topic on Rivers.

Spring

- Edge Hill Chinese New Year workshop.
- Chester trip - linked to History topic on Romans.

Summer

- Visitor into school - linked to RE topic on Sikhism.

Year 4 Class Performances

Year 4's class performances will take place in May 2027.

Other Information

- Water bottles - sports cap and water only.
- Healthy snacks for playtime or toast which can be ordered every half term via School Spider.
- NO NUTS as some pupils and staff have nut allergies.
- No jewellery to be worn including earrings.
- Trainers only to be worn on PE days.
- Contact information - Please keep your personal information up to date with the office.

Communication

If you wish to contact your child's teacher, first please try to speak with them at the classroom doors or otherwise could any queries be made to the parent email address:

bleakhillparents@sthelens.org.uk

*Please see the graduated approach.