

## Maths

In Maths this half term we will be recapping knowledge from previous year groups and having the opportunity apply their already learnt knowledge onto new, trickier concepts. We will look at place value, addition and subtraction (including finding the inverse, geometry and telling the time.

We will continue to learn and recite our times tables every day, this is really important and all children should be fluent in their recall of times tables and related division facts to 12x12 by the end of year 4. Times Table Rockstars is set up so that the children can continue their practise at home! PLEASE ENCOURAGE YOUR CHILDREN TO USE THIS – EVEN 5 MINUTES A DAY IS GOOD ENOUGH!!!



## Year 4

September  
- October  
**2026**

## English

This half term our writing is focused on Ancient Egypt. We will be using our knowledge of Ancient Egypt to write a set of instructions, a non chronological report and a diary entry.

Throughout the half term we will use a range of learning materials, fiction and non-fiction texts to use as a stimulus to learning.

We will look at Year 4 grammar and weave these into our lessons. Grammar from previous years will also be recapped to consolidate learning.

Our class novel for this half term is 'Why the Whales Came' by Michael Morpurgo and the children will have lots of opportunities to read and explore this book independently and with the class as a whole.

**History:** for this half term is 'What was important to ancient Egyptians?'

- How we know so much about the ancient Egyptians.
- Why the River Nile was important.
- Gods and Goddesses that influenced the Egyptians.
- Who ruled the Ancient Egyptians?
- What happened to the Ancient Egyptians after death?
- The Egyptians belief in the after- life.

We will consolidate our learning with a trip to Bolton museum too!

**Science –** Animals, including humans : Digestion and food.

- Label key organs found in the digestive system and describe each of their functions.
- Describe the functions of the four different types of adult human teeth using key vocabulary.
- Produce a food chain that begins with a plant and has arrows that move up the food chain.
- Define a producer, predator and prey and identify examples in food chains.
- Describe digestion, teeth and diets when talking about the observed poo clues

**Music –** This half term, Year 4 will be looking at changes in pitch, tempo and dynamics with a focus on Rock and Roll.

**PE –** This half term Year 4 will be taking part in PE on Monday afternoons. Please ensure your child comes to school in their PE kit. We will also have a swimming lesson on a Tuesday afternoon – a full swimming kit is needed including a swimming cap. Children may come to school wearing their PE Kit.

**PSHE -** The children will focus on 'My healthy self: How can I make healthy choices?'

**R.E. –** The children will be learning about Hinduism.

**Computing –** the children will focus on esafety.

### General Reminders

PE - PE will take place every Monday afternoon. Please make sure your child comes to school in their full PE kit. Swimming will take place on a Tuesday afternoon.

Reading Books - Please make sure children have their reading books and reading journals in school every day.

Homework - Homework will be given to take home every Friday and handed back into school on a Wednesday. It is important that you encourage and support your children with their homework, but please do not do it for them.

Times Tables - It is imperative that children regularly practise their times tables. As part of their homework, children will bring home weekly times tables. We will have a weekly Times Table quiz every Wednesday.

Water bottles - We encourage all children to bring in their own water bottle which they have access to throughout the day. Children are permitted to have weakly diluted fruit squash in their bottles.

At playtime, children can bring a healthy snack from home - this **MUST** be either fruit or cheese. Children should not be bringing chocolate, crisps or sugary snacks in for break.