

Sherwood Primary School

Y4 NEWSLETTER

Summer Term 2026



Dear Parents and Children,

Welcome back to an extremely action-packed final term in the children's Year 4 journey. We all hope you have had a fantastic break, and you were able to spend time relaxing in readiness for this Summer term.

We have got lots of exciting topics and opportunities to follow before the end of the year.

In Art, we will be learning about the artist Georgia O' Keefe to develop our drawing and painting skills. In Geography, we will be exploring the features of a river and will be visiting Ingleton Falls. In Science, we will be learning about the habitats in which local animals live and the ways they can be altered and damaged. We will also learn about food webs and British birds, culminating in an outdoor adventure into Mason's Woods to build Bird Hides and explore the local flora and fauna. We will then learn about Solids, Liquids and Gases which we link to the Water cycle.

Our PE day is Wednesday where we will be learning the skills required to play invasion games and completing a unit on Outdoor Adventurous Activities before moving on to Athletics and Fielding and Striking in the second half of the term.

We will continue to learn our times tables in preparation for Badge 12 and the statutory multiplication check in June. [Click here](#) for more information.

Kind regards, Mr Stanton & Miss Terrell

HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE SUMMER TERM

Bird Hide Building in Mason's Wood.
Year 4 Trip to Ingleton Falls.
DT – designing and making a bird hide.
Sports Day

VOCABULARY TO LEARN AT HOME

Knowledge of these words are essential for learning this term. Please share and discuss together at home:

Precipitation, evaporation, tributaries, meander, condensation, solid, liquid, gas, particles, habitat, eco-system

READING

All children in Year 4 are encouraged to read widely in order to gain skills which can be applied across the curriculum. Please try to read with your child every evening and discuss the pages read.

It is important to read a few pages followed by discussion, retelling, remembering facts and understanding of new vocabulary.

Enjoying a book with an adult is so beneficial to children and will help them on their learning journey. Hopefully they will continue to develop their love of reading, which will continue throughout their lives.

The children in Year 4 will have daily opportunities to read in school but this will not always be one to one with an adult, therefore your role is very important in supporting their progress. Please record the pages you have read, or whether the book has been finished at home, in the home school diary.

Diaries will be collected in and signed on a Friday.

THIS TERM WE ARE READING

This term Year 4 will be reading 'Twitch' by M.G.Leonard which links to our topic on 'Birds'. Later in the term we will read the poems of T. S. Eliot in his book 'Old Possum's Book of Practical Cats'; We will be enjoying the adventures of Macavity.

Our non-fiction text this term is the 'Big Book of Birds'

OUR CURRICULUM

It is an action-packed term of learning in Y4. For our full Y4 curriculum documentation, please visit [our website](#) (Curriculum – Sherwood Curriculum). This provides an overview of key learning across the Curriculum.

HOMEWORK

Homework will be set every Friday through our Y4 Class Page on the Website. Homework is to be handed in the following Wednesday; please support your child to organise their work and time effectively.

Weekly homework may include:

- Daily reading;
- Spelling investigations including Spelling Frame;
- Grammar and handwriting tasks;
- Maths activities including the CGP book.

Please make sure that your child completes their homework to a high standard – with a focus on clear presentation and detail. Please do not hesitate to speak to a member of our Y4 team if your child requires additional support with homework.