

Welcome to Year 4

Class teacher:
Mrs Barratt



Teaching Assistant:
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Our Intent

Nurturing curious, resilient and ambitious learners



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Our School Values & Learning Behaviours

- * Be kind
- * Be brave
- * Be positive
- * Be responsible
- * Be inclusive

- * Concentrating Crocodile
- * Resilient Rhino
- * Creative Chameleon
- * Independent Iguana
- * Teamwork Tiger

Rewards

- * Weekly certificates linked to our whole school values & learning behaviours which will have a different focus each week
- * Star of the Week – dojos and behaviour
- * Positive postcards from adults around school
- * Class rewards – linked to reaching their Dojo target

Class Dojo

Communicating with your Class Teacher

- * Class dojo is our main communication tool between parents and teachers
- * It is really important that you have a log in and check messages regularly
- * Pictures and work will be shared via class stories weekly
- * Children will continue to earn dojo points for showing our Moss Hey Values and Learning Behaviours.
- * Class Dojo is not to be used for reporting absences, appointments or for complaints

Things you will need in Year 4

- * A water bottle everyday – this must not be a large or expensive bottle e.g. Stanley cup / air up
- * A health snack; fruit or veg – **remember we are a nut free school**
- * **Please do not bring own pencil cases – children will be using school stationary**
- * Bags – these must not be too large or with large accessories on. They need to fit in to the lockers with their P.E bags and coat
- * Coat – weather can change!

Uniform

- * Full school uniform must be worn
- * Long hair tied up / off face
- * Hairs bobbles / accessories must be appropriate and be blue or black
- * No type of smart watches are allowed

Our Curriculum

Science



This term we will be looking at the human digestive system as well as exploring the function of our teeth. We will then be looking at food chains and the role they play.

English



We will be using a range of books to explore different genres including imaginary settings, adverts and diary settings. We will be learning about creative vocabulary and using a range of punctuation. Children should continue to practise their Year 3 & 4 spellings and apply these to their writing.

Maths



We will be following the White Rose Scheme to complete these units:

Number: Place Value

Number: Addition and Subtraction

Measurement: Area

Number: Multiplication and Division

ClassDojo



Please ensure you are linked up and regularly checking ClassDojo as pictures and updates from the class will be on there as well as any important reminders for school.

PE



This term, we will be swimming on a Tuesday morning and they should have their costumes under their uniform. Please make sure they have their kits in school all week. Children should have a white t-shirt or school PE top and blue or black shorts as well as trousers and a jumper for when the weather is cooler. They should also have a suitable pair of trainers as well as a change of socks. Please ensure all PE kit is labelled.

Year 4

Autumn Term

Art



Inspired by the artist Janet Bolton, we will be using different stitches to join fabrics together to create pictures.

Design & Technology



Cooking and Nutrition – Adapting a recipe

Computing



We will be using computing systems and networks as well as creating media

Music



We will be learning how to play the ukulele this year on a Wednesday morning!

RE



What kind of world did Jesus want? What was the importance of Pentecost?

Geography



We will be learning about the United Kingdom and understanding why people visit.

History



We will be learning about the Ancient Greeks and the impact they have had on the world.

French



We will be learning French phonics, words around the house and school.



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myHappymind

- * At Moss Hey we follow myHappymind which is an NHS-backed curriculum for primary schools. It focuses on building resilience, self-esteem, and happiness in children.
- * The lessons and activities contain quizzes, songs, animations and feature lovely characters.
- * The children will complete five modules:
 - >Meet Your Brain >Celebrate >Appreciate >Relate >Engage
- * Each Year group works through the 5 modules allowing for a whole school culture to build.
- * Within each module children learn positive habits which they will then use all of the time.
- * The children have journals to record ideas and feelings.

P.E

- * Year 4 will have outdoor P.E on Wednesday
- * P.E kit: White t-shirt, navy shorts/jogging bottoms, navy jumper.
Trainers must be worn for PE
- * **A P.E kit must be in school at all times**
- * All items to be clearly named
- * Children attending an after school sports club need to bring in a separate sports kit on that day
- * All jewellery, including earrings must be removed for all physical education
- * Long hair must be tied up.
- * Children will be unable to take part in a P.E lesson if they do not have the full correct kit.

Swimming (KS2)

- * Swimming lessons are held at Hazel Grove swimming baths on Tuesday mornings
- * Year 4 will be swimming in the Autumn term

Children will need:

- * A one piece swimming costume
- * Towel
- * No jewellery (earrings, watches etc)
- * Swimming hat- optional (if hair covers eyes when wet but it must be tied up)
- * Goggles (optional)
- * Children can choose whether to wear their swimwear underneath their school uniform on a Tuesday and bring underwear to change in to after swimming



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Medical Needs

- * Please ensure the office has update medical information for your child
- * Inhalers must be in school at all times – your child will have access to their inhaler when needed and will be supervised by a member of staff
- * All medication must be labelled and in date
- * Please read our medical policy for administrating medication – this can be found on our school website



What is really important in Year 4

- * Independence – remembering all of their belongings and bringing them into school
- * Pride – editing and improving their work, making it the best that it can be
- * Confidence – believe they can do anything, especially as the work gets harder
- * Times Tables – learning them up to 12 ahead of their Multiplication Check



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Mental Maths in Year 4

- * Times tables Rockstars – Please ensure your child logs on and plays TT Rockstars regularly to improve their recall speed of their times tables
- * Number bonds – checking these regularly is important to help with addition and subtraction calculation
- * We will be using CBBC Supermovers to help us to learn and practise our timetables



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Multiplication Check in Year 4

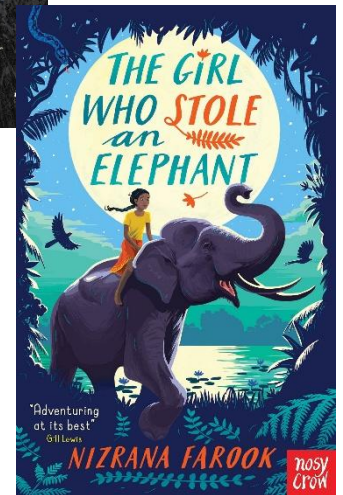
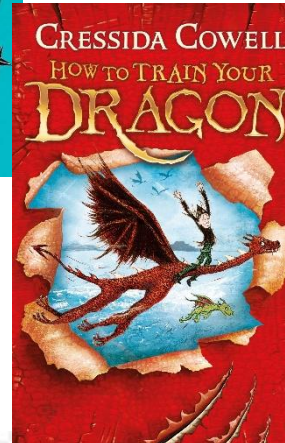
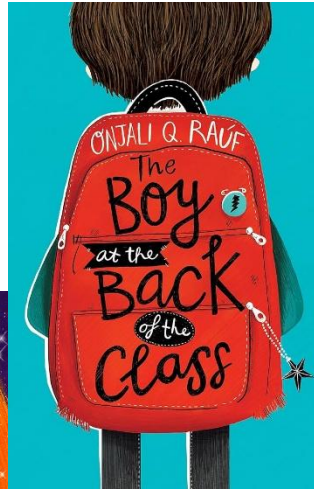
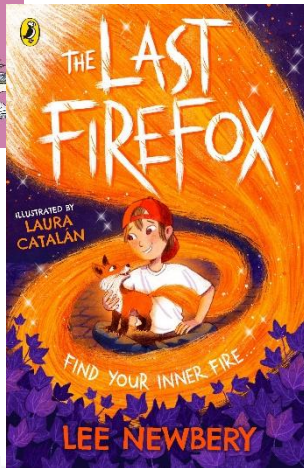
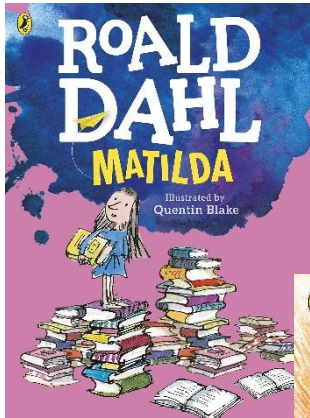
- * At the end of Year 4, the children are required to complete a Multiplication Check
- * They will complete this on an iPad or Chromebook so they should practise this at home where possible
- * <https://www.timestables.co.uk/multiplication-tables-check/>
- * We will be using the Chromebooks and iPads regularly in school and using TT Rockstars to answer questions against the clock, which is what they will be doing in the times table test
- * This has been set out by the Government to ensure children have learnt all of their time tables up to 12 as well as the inverse calculation by the end of Year 4



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Reading

- * Throughout the year in class we will be reading a range of books including:



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Homework

- * Maths – White Rose books – these are linked directly to lessons and will come home on a Friday and should be returned on a Thursday
- * Maths – TT Rockstars - children should aim to go on most days for about 5 - 10 minutes
- * Spellings – new scheme starting. Weekly spellings will come home on a Friday to be tested the following week using the strategies taught
- * Reading – please encourage children to read a range of books, including their school one while at home to earn stickers for each book they read



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Trips and Workshops

- * Autumn – Times Tables - Multiplication
Wednesday 5th November 9am
- * Spring – Roman DEVA Experience ~ £25
Friday 16th January 2025 (*provisional*)
- * Ukulele performance during the year on a Friday afternoon



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Closing message from Mrs Barratt

I hope the children thoroughly enjoy Year 4!

They have impressed me so much already with how confident they are, how hard they have been working and how eager they are to learn.

They have already started to show me how responsible they are, especially with their pens and pencils! We look to continue and build on this as we move through the year.

We have lots of new and exciting topics that I am sure the children will be excited to learn about and I can't wait to discover all of their knowledge.

If you have any questions during the year, please get in touch via ClassDojo and I will respond as soon as possible.

Thank you for all your support and I'm looking forward to an exciting year with them all!