



# Happy New Year!



We hope you've all had a nice break and are ready for Spring term. It has been lovely to welcome the children back to school and they have all started the year with a positive attitude. Below you will find information on what to expect this term in Year 4. As always, our home/school partnership is important, and your continued support is invaluable - thank you for the support you have given your child so far this year. Please continue to contact us if needed via Seesaw or at our classroom door.

Below you will find information on what your child will be learning during the spring term and how best to continue to support your child in Year 4.

## This term's topics:

### **Spring 1:**

- History – The Dark Ages
- Science – Teeth and Digestion

### **Spring 2:**

- Geography – African Adventure
- Science – Sound

For more information on every subject, please look at our class page on the website and our Long-Term Plan.

## PE Days

**Y4 Woodward = Thursdays/Fridays**

**Y4 Carver = Tuesdays/Thursdays**

Please ensure your child has the correct kit and is able to take out their own earrings. This half term we will be playing tennis and volleyball.

## Brass Concert

We have a concert on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February at 10am followed by a quiz for parents and children from 10:30 to 11:30.

## Y4 Homework

Homework remains a priority in Y4. It's a great way to encourage independence and consolidate learning. The Y4 homework expectations are as follows:

- **Times Tables Rockstars** - We encourage the children to practise for at least 30 minutes over the week. Children take part in a national times tables check in June 2026.
- **English** – Reading is expected to be done four times per week and noted in your child's planner. Children can record this themselves, and you can initial next to this entry. If your child has read four or more times in a week, they are given a raffle ticket and entered in a draw to win a book each half term!
- **Spelling** – given out on a Monday to be returned on the following Monday. 5 words are also given every Monday to learn for a test on Friday.
- **Brass** – Children should practise their instrument every week. They can earn reward points for videos of their practice that is posted on Seesaw.

## Bridge Builders

All of the Y4 Bridge Builder objectives can be found on Seesaw. Here are the ones we encourage you to complete in spring term. However, if you want to complete them in a different order you are welcome to.

**Spring 1 – Friendship** – I can go on an outdoor adventure with a friend (with adult supervision)

**Spring 2 – Responsibility** – I can be responsible for learning my times tables at home.