

Year 4 Newsletter

Summer Term 2017

Date for the diary -

Swimming Wednesdays-9.30-11.30

Hanson Environmental centre-13th June (HB9) /
15th June (HB10)

During our **Maths** lessons, we will be focussing in line with the new curriculum for Maths. The term will begin by focusing on mental addition and subtraction followed by number and place value. We will then concentrate on mental multiplication and division. Later in the term we will look at written methods of addition, subtraction and multiplication. Other topics will include measures (time, length, weight and capacity) graphs and fractions.

In **Literacy** this term, the children will be looking at the features of Greek Myths, designing their own Greek mythical creatures and writing their own Greek myths. The children will be focusing on using speech punctuation and fronted adverbials to develop an interesting plot. The children will be continuing to take part in weekly comprehension sessions.



Homework - We would like to remind you that it is important that you encourage your child to read a variety of texts at least five times a week and help them to learn their spellings. As part of their homework, the children are expected to use their spellings in context by writing different sentences. In addition to this they will receive



either a Numeracy or Literacy piece of homework every Friday.

This needs to be handed in the following Wednesday. We also encourage your child to show evidence of times tables practise in their homework book.

In **DT** this term, the children will be making a selection of different dishes and will have the opportunity to taste these.

In **Art** the children will be designing and making their own Greek pots.



This half term, **PE** will consist of athletics and cricket. The children will learn how to do a variety of events to include triple jump and a range of sprints. The children will be taking part in weekly swimming lessons at Middleton Pool. In our weekly dance lessons the children will be learning a Greek dance linking with our topic.

Please ensure that their PE kit is in the appropriate school colours and has their name in.



This term in **Science**, we will be learning about Habitats. We will be looking at the seven life processes and how all living things demonstrate these characteristics. We will be visiting our wildlife area to carry out a minibeast hunt. We will be looking closely at a variety of animals, thinking of different ways in which they can be grouped using classification keys.

In **Music**, Year 4 will take part in keyboard lessons.

These will continue on a Monday and involve singing and playing.

We hope that children will become more confident with both hands on the keyboard.



Groovy Greeks:

For our topic work we will be exploring the Ancient Greeks. We will have the opportunity to experience what a typical day would have been like for a child growing up in Ancient Greece. The children will have the chance to learn about schooling in and their diet.

We hope that your child has an enjoyable final term in Year 4. If you have any concerns, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Year 4 Team

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