

Isleham Primary School Year 4

Autumn News

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Welcome to Year 4

Miss Bottomley and Mrs Airey

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are really excited to be teaching in Year 4 this term and have already planned an array of wonderful projects, with lots of exciting activities for learning both inside and outside the classroom. During the 'move up' day in the Summer Term, we were delighted to observe the children's hardworking attitudes and inquisitive natures, with a good sense of fun thrown in for good measure; these great qualities have also been evident during our first few days. Please let us know if you have any concerns or queries via your child's new Home School book which will be checked daily.

Please ensure that Home School Books are brought to and from school each day. Your role in supporting your child with reading is essential. Please initial the book each evening. Questions to support your child with reading are included on the back inside cover of the books.

We look forward to working with you and your children,
Mrs Airey & Miss Bottomley



Adults in Yr4

Teachers: Miss Bottomley/Mrs Airey

Support staff:
Mrs Guest
Mrs Dunsmuir
Mrs Broyles
Mrs Rayner

How to help

- Support your child with daily reading at home (at least 15 mins).
- Support your child with learning his/her times tables regularly at home. Up to 12x12.
Useful websites:
<http://resources.woodlandsjunior.kent.sch.uk>
<http://www.topmarks.co.uk/>
- E-safety: Parents and carers play a key role in supporting children to learn about how to stay safe online.
 - Check out - <http://www.saferinternet.org.uk/> for more advice...

	What to remember each day...	
Monday	PE Kit	Home-School book and reading book to be returned every day
Tuesday		
Wednesday		
Thursday	Swimming kit	
Friday	PE kit to go home	

Please ensure that outdoor and indoor PE kits are in school **every day** as we may have weather/timetable changes! Please ensure that hair that is longer than shoulder length is tied up for PE and that earrings are removed. All children need a change of socks for PE in case their feet get wet!

For Your Calendar:

Friday 18th October 2.45pm
Class Assembly

Friday 4th Oct 2.30pm
Harvest Festival

Mon 7th & Tues 8th Oct
Parent Consultations

What we are learning this term:

Ancient Greeks

English

This half term in English, we will be learning how to write Ancient Greek style myths, consider narrative poetry, play scripts and explanation texts. In Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar (SPAG) we will be learning about fronted adverbials and determiners. In guided reading we will revisit important strategies needed for comprehension of texts.

Mathematics

In Mathematics this half term we will be learning about place value, addition and subtraction strategies and written methods, as well as practising our times tables and related division facts. We will also be learning about length and perimeter.

Science

This half term we will begin with a biology focus by looking at how our bodies work. We will be looking at the digestive system, the journey of our food and at our teeth and tooth decay. We will then look at classifying living things and examining their habitat.

Art / Design Technology

In DT, we will be researching kites, then designing and making our own. In Art children will create Ancient Greek scratch art amphorae, mosaics and shadow puppets. We shall also consider great artists in history.

History and Geography

In History, we will be learning about the Ancient Greeks. In Geography, children will use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping to locate areas/countries and describe features studied. We shall also be learning about 6 figure grid references and use ordnance survey maps.

PE and Computing

PE this term will be on a Thursday and a Friday. Thursday will be our swimming lessons, for the first half term. In Computing, the children will plan and design a game and create an on screen prototype of a toy.

Music

Music in the Autumn Term will focus on singing. Each week we will be learning songs in preparation for attending Young Voices 2020 at London's O2 Arena. Please see the recent letter sent home about this exciting project.

RE, PSHCE and French

In RE, Mrs Barber will be covering the unit 'What kind of world did Jesus want?' In PSHCE children will be exploring 'My Emotions' and 'Working Together'. In French with Mrs Barber this half term the children will be learning vocabulary for animals, parts of the body, They will be looking at French poetry, stories and how to ask and answer questions in French.

For Your Calendar:

19th Oct to 28th Oct
inclusive
Half term

Thursday 28th November
2.30pm
Christingle service

Friday 20th December
End of term