



Year 4 Newsletter

Spring 1 2023/24



Curriculum Overview

Book Focus:

This half term we are reading 'One Plastic Bag', written by Miranda Paul.

English:

In English we are learning to develop skills and knowledge in how to write instructions, explanation texts, diary entries (recount) and Haiku poetry.

Maths:

In Maths we will be learning about: length & perimeter of polygons; fractions of shapes and amounts and decimal equivalents.

Science:

Our science topic this half term is Light and Shadows.

Topic:

Geography -

We are focusing on European countries, looking at key physical and human features of European countries, and taking a more in-depth look at Italy.

Art: Light & Dark – Exploring shading and colour to create impact in paintings.

Music: Learning to sing, compose and play 'Three Little Birds' on instruments. In

PE

Year 4 PE days will be on Mondays. Your child will need to bring the correct PE kit to school on a **Monday**. We will be outside whenever possible so please make sure that they have jogging bottoms.

Homework

Each week, your child will receive:

- Spelling words
- Maths skills homework
- A reading book to read every day
- TTRockstars

In addition to we would like to set a topic homework project challenge for the half-term, focused on our Geographical study of Europe. The homework could be a research PowerPoint, a drawing/Lego/Minecraft creation of a famous landmark, cooking a traditional dish from a European country or maybe a relevant idea of your own.

Reminders:

- Reading books need to be brought into school **every day** as we will be using them at 8.45 for individual readers.



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addition to this, Norfolk Music Service will work with each class, delivering a half-term, of whole class Ukulele lessons.

PE: Gymnastics (focus on jumps and rolls) and Hockey

PSHE: Dreams and goals & Healthy Me

RE: What is the Holy Trinity?

Computing: Developing understanding of computer networks.

French – Learning key French vocabulary relating to school life and music.

- Please send your child's signed reading record in every Friday, this should contain details of your child's daily reading along with their remarks about what they are currently reading.
- As the weather will continue to be cold and wet, your child needs to bring a **waterproof coat** to school each day.
- Please make sure your child has a **water bottle** with them every day containing **water**.

Contact us

If you have any questions or queries regarding your child, don't hesitate to speak to us in the morning or at the end of the day, or make an appointment at the office.

Thank you! From Mrs. Bale and Mr. Roberts.



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