

November 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to the start of another new and exciting term! We are delighted to welcome your children back to Year 4 and provide them with a range of wonderful learning opportunities. We have included some key messages below.

The Year 4 teaching team includes the following members of staff:

Amethyst Class

- Mrs Greenlaw (class teacher);
- Mrs Tankala (teaching assistant).
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Jasper Class

- Mr Lane (class teacher);
- Mrs Eitel (teaching assistant);
- Mrs Choudhury (teaching assistant)

PE Lessons

Year 4 pupils will have PE sessions twice per week (usually on a Thursday and Friday). Pupils will change into their PE kit before the lesson and will come home in their PE kit. Please ensure your child has the correct kit to change into for these sessions and that it is returned ready for the next lesson. Information about swimming lessons will be communicated separately.

PE items can be brought into school in a draw-string PE bag and kept in class during term time. In addition, a disposable plastic bag should be supplied for wet items to be placed in.

- Compulsory white sports t-shirt with school logo;
- Black shorts;
- Black tracksuit if appropriate;
- Trainers (black or white).

Please note, all jewellery **MUST** be removed for PE and games.

Please ensure all clothing and items that are brought into school are clearly **named**. This includes: all parts of the school uniform, P.E. kit, shoes, trainers, coats, lunch boxes, water bottles and book bags.

Home Learning

- Reading a minimum of 20 minutes each day;
- Accelerated Reader online quiz as each book is finished (with the aim to complete one quiz per week)
- CENTURY weekly practice online;
- 30 minutes of Times Tables Rock Stars per week. Every Tuesday, teachers will check to see that children have completed the allocated amount of time in **Soundcheck** area. The children have accessed the **Soundcheck** area in school and will know how to access this at home. The TTRS website can be accessed here: <https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/student/34463>
- Weekly Log and Learn spellings (to be completed in Home Learning Diaries by Wednesday)

If you have any questions at all, please do not hesitate to come and see us

Many thanks,

Mrs Greenlaw and Mr Lane

Year 4 Teachers



Year Group 4

Autumn 2

English

This term we will be exploring setting description, poetry, quest story and a report. This learning will be reinforced through the texts we will be studying in Guided Reading and our topic work.

Maths

We will be using White Rose Maths to facilitate our maths learning. We will be revising key areas including place value and the four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division), as well as area.

Computing

This term we will be using Purple Mash to learn all about microbits. We will explore how to programme microbits in different ways.

PSHE

This term we will be using our discover, noticer, and advisor skills to explore the topic of self-care. We will consider the importance of taking care of ourselves.

Fire, Ice and Water

History

This term we will learn about the settlement of the Anglo Saxons and Scots in the United Kingdom. We will explore Sutton Hoo and the clues about history that it left.

PE

We will be spending the Autumn Term practising football and rugby. Swimming will also be taking place. More information to follow.

Science

During Autumn term, we will be learning about States of Matter, including solids, gases and liquids as well as reversible and irreversible changes.

DT

In DT we will learn all about embroidery. We will learn a variety of stitches and use our skills to create a collaborative river tapestry.

Guided Reading

We are studying *The Ice Palace* by Robert Swindells and will develop our use of the four reading strategies: retrieval, inference and clarification.

Music

This term, we will continue to learn how to play the ukulele. We will learn how to play the chord of C and use it to play a song.

RE

In RE this term the focus will be on Christianity. During lessons, we will answer the question which is the most significant part of the nativity story for Christians today?

Curriculum Enrichment

RE Inspired: 14th November 2025

Burwell House Residential: 15th—17th December

Topic Projects

Create a piece of work showing the journey and parts of a river. This could be in the form 2D or 3D model, a drawing, poster, fact file or painting. Project due date: **Friday 5th December**

Websites Worth Visiting

<http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/riverthames/index.htm>

<https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/clips/zj2n34j>

<https://www.rospa.com/home-safety/advice/fireworks-safety/>