



Welcome to Year 4

Our Core Subjects

In **English** this term we will be focusing on fairy tales, explanation texts and classic poetry. Throughout the English units we will be focusing on Spellings, Grammar and Punctuation.

In **Maths** our focus will be on the 4 rules and applying these into problem solving; fractions and decimals as well as shape and handling data. It is important that your child knows and can quickly recall their multiplication tables and number bonds – something which can be practiced at home regularly.

In **Science**, our focus will be What can we find living in different environments? and What are circuits and conductors? During these topics, pupils will explore creatures that inhabit different habitats and the role of electricity. Pupils will carry out investigations on conductible materials and learn our key vocabulary:

Vertebrate, invertebrate, habitat, carnivore, herbivore, omnivore, electric, conductor, insulator, positive

Our Foundation Subjects

History and Geography

This term, pupils will learn the history of The Tudors: how people of different classes lived and the political landscape that Henry 8th ruled over. In Geography, the river Nile will be our focus, its historical importance and how it is used today.

Music

In Music lessons, pupils will learn to sing and perform the song, *Mamma Mia*. They will learn how to warm up their voices and follow a pulse and a rhythm in time. We will also be developing our glockenspiel skills to achieve stage 2.

Art and DT

Our Art, we will specifically be looking at Andy Warhol and the Pop Art movement. In DT, pupils will be exploring American foods and creating their own pancakes.

RE

In Autumn 1, pupils will learn about Judaism and the important aspects of the religion and the differences between the Torah and the Bible. We will then look at why Jesus is inspirational and explore this theme via worldwide views.

Computing

In Computing, pupils will learn how we can record and predict the weather using technology. Autumn 2 will see pupils exploring different forms of digital communication and learning the skills associated with each one.

PE

Pupils will learn about Outdoor Education through a series of team building activities. They will learn to navigate around an obstacle course as well as design their own. In Autumn 2, pupils will learn gymnastic routines and flexibility exercises.

PSHE

Pupils will learn about self-care and why looking after one's mental health is important. We will also be exploring what makes human beings different from one another and the importance of being unique.



This term's topics are:

SCIENCE – Why do some materials change?

HISTORY/GEOGRAPHY – Tudors/ River Nile

ART – Pop Art

DT – American Food

COMPUTING – We Are Meteorologists

MUSIC – Mamma Mia
Glockenspiel Stage 2

RE – Judaism
Why is Jesus an inspirational figure?

PSHE – Being Me in My World
Celebrating Difference

PE – Outdoor Education
Gymnastics

Autumn Term in Year 4

Welcome to the start of a brand-new school year. We hope you all had a very fun summer break and feel ready to start the Autumn Term.

This year, the Year 4 team is:

- Class 9 – **Mrs. Pahal/Mr. Smyth**
- Class 10 – **Mr. Mills**
- HLTA – **Mrs. Perry**
- TA – **Miss. Jones**

Doors open to pupils at 8.40am and pupils will come straight to class ready for registration at 8.50am. Any pupils who are late, must report to the School Office.

Curriculum Enrichment

We are always looking for ways to bring our pupils' learning to life and have some visits already booked for Autumn Term.

Bradford Estate – Wednesday 11th October
This visit will support our learning about team building and empathy. More details will follow soon.

PE Days

Class 9 – **Tuesday and Friday**

Class 10 – **Wednesday and Friday**

Home Learning Tasks

Home learning tasks will be set, which are based on learning that has already taken place in school. This means that your child can complete them with greater independence. We do ask that you check your child's home learning tasks to ensure they are completed to a good standard and returned to school on time. Thank you for your continued support.



PE Kits

Pupils are expected to wear the correct PE kit for every PE lesson each week. The correct PE kit is:

White t-shirt (plain or with Woden logo only)

Dark blue tracksuit bottoms

Dark blue sweatshirt (plain or with Woden logo only)

Trainers

Children are not to wear their own clothes or sports wear with other logos for school. We would like our pupils to really take pride in their appearance as well as our school PE kit.

PE days are **Tuesday/Friday** for Class 9 and **Wednesday/Friday** for Class 10.

Reading

Listening to your child read aloud as often as possible will support them with their reading, writing and spelling. The benefits are huge. Please write a comment and sign your child's diary every time you hear them read so that we can track the progress they

Useful websites:

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button> - Great for Maths