Year 4 Curriculum Newsletter – Autumn Term 2026

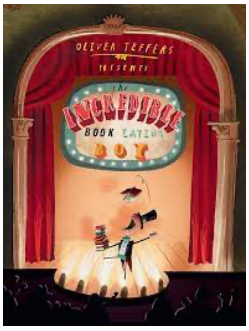
Science – Biology – the human digestive system / History - How and when did the Romans invade Briton?

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you have enjoyed the half term break and are ready for this half term.

In English, our focus text is The Incredible Book Eating Boy by Oliver Jeffers. This will link to our writing outcomes, which will be a letter in a professional role. We started the book with an incredible talent show, in which the children had to think about and watch incredible talents.

Reading: Please make sure your child brings their book bag and reading book every day and ensure that they read regularly at home. You can support their reading by asking them questions about the text and by signing their reading record.



In mathematics, this half term, the children will be developing their addition and subtraction skills, using money, mental arithmetic skills, multiplication and division and fractions and decimals.

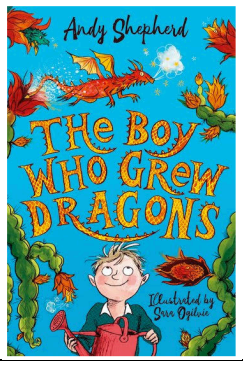
Our challenge is to know all our times tables to 12x12 by the end of the year. Please help your child to learn their times tables by allowing them to play on TT Rockstars at home.

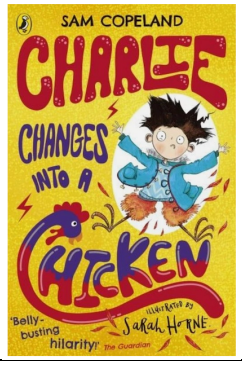
In Science, our topic over the Autumn term is Biology, particularly the human digestive system.

The children will be learning about their bodies, the digestive system, teeth, organs, food chains and more.

In RE, the children will be exploring ancient stories and how these have influenced religious celebrations today.

Class novels:





In History, we will be learning about the Romans and how and when they invaded Briton. Where they came from, what they taught us, when they left and what Roman things we still use today.

In PSHE, children will be learning healthy eating, healthy lifestyles, how to look after themselves safely and who we are as individuals.

In computing, we will be learning about logos and unpacking hardware and software.

In music, we will continue to learn how to play the recorder.

Home learning: Home Learning books go out on Friday with a maths task, English task, 5 spellings and another task relating to other subject areas. Please help your child to practise the skills they have learned during the week by completing their tasks. Homework is given out on **a Friday** and is due back the following **Thursday** at the latest.

Internet Safety: It is vital that your child is safe online at home. In school, we will be focusing on E-safety in ICT. At home, you can protect your child by setting parental restrictions and talking to your child about apps that are not safe**. Tik tok, snap chat, Instagram and Whatsapp are all 13+ and should not be used by primary-aged children**.
Here is a link to a guide for setting parental controls at home - https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/parents-and-carers/parental-controls-offered-your-home-internet-provider

In PE, Yew Class will have P.E on **Tuesday and Wednesday**. They will start swimming in February 2027. P.E is handball and gymnastics.

Willow Class will have swimming on **Tuesdays** and P.E on **Wednesdays.** Swimming kit – long hair needs a swim cap and these can be provided by the leisure centre free of charge. **No goggles.**

Please ensure children come to school in their P.E kit with pumps or black trainers. **No earrings are allowed on PE days. Hair must be tied up.**

Weather conditions: As the weather is becoming colder, please make sure your child comes to school with a coat and jumper labelled with their name. Please ensure your child has a water bottle in school every day with their name on. Hats, scarves, 5and gloves are advised as the weather gets colder.

Reminder: we are a healthy and nut-free school, please ensure your child brings a healthy snack every day (particularly on PE days for extra energy!) with no traces of nuts.

We are looking forward to working with you for the rest of the academic year!

Thank you to all the parents and carers for all your ongoing support.

Mrs Jones and Miss Groves

Should you need to speak to us, please speak to support staff on the doors, teachers after school or first thing in the morning if urgent. If they are unavailable, then please speak to Miss Williams at any time.