



Year 4 Newsletter

Summer 2024



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to school for our summer term! We hope that you had a restful Easter break and enjoyed quality family time.

We have begun the summer term with our STEM project where the children have been learning about Roman catapults and how to create effective catapult mechanisms. The children are able to use their knowledge on Roman weaponry and will be spending time over the next two weeks designing, making, testing and evaluating a Roman catapult.

We are so impressed by the children's resilience and creativity throughout the week and their positive attitudes towards the challenges of STEM learning. We would like to take this time to thank you for your ongoing support throughout the year.

Hannah Carter
Year 4 manager

TIMES TABLES

This term, year 4 children will be taking part in a statutory multiplication tables check. This consists of an onscreen assessment to determine pupil's multiplication fluency. We are practising our times tables in school through a 'Going for Gold' programme that the children are thoroughly enjoying. Please encourage your child's use of TT Rockstars (even 3 minutes a day, makes a difference). If you are unsure of your child's log in please email their class teacher.

TOPIC FOR THIS TERM

Our theme this term is "Heroes and Heroines". Click [here](#) to see our curriculum map on our website. As part of this topic, the children will learn about a number of inspirational people who have changed our world in the fields of science, engineering and literature. Our science learning will take us on a journey through our digestive system and we will investigate how sound works.

The children will be revisiting the topic of Time in maths. Please consider discussing the time with your children and encouraging them to read the analog clock, at home, to aid their learning.

HOMEWORK & READING

Our new homework project has now been posted. Please check our padlet page: <https://padlet.com/misshcarter/year4> The children will be tasked with creating their own musical instrument coinciding with our science topic – sound. We encourage the children to consider creating traditional instruments from their own heritage and culture. The children will have the opportunity to present their instrument to their class.

The children's reading journal has been a great way for them to record their independent reading and when a story has been shared with an adult, at home. Please encourage the children to continue to fill these out. Don't forget to check out the summer reading challenge on the Padlet page. This challenge allows children to broaden their reading diet and try something new!



TERM DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

We have some exciting events coming up between now and the end of term so please look out for extra information coming your way via ParentMail.

Class photographs – Wednesday 26 April
Bank holiday (school closed) – Monday 6 May
Computing VR Workshop - Wednesday 8 May
Stars Celebration Assembly - Thursday 23 May
Last day of half term - Thursday 23 May @ 3.15pm

Inset day (school closed to children) – Friday 24 May

Back to school for summer 2 - Monday 3 June
Whole School Science day - Monday 3 June
African Drumming Workshop - Wednesday 19 June
Reports sent home – Friday 12 July
Stars Celebration Assembly – Friday 12 July
Year 3 and 4 Sports Day – Tuesday 16 July
Summer term parents drop in – Tuesday 16 July
Last day of term – Friday 19 July