

HAPPY NEW YEAR, YEAR 4!

Your teachers this term will remain as:

Miss Holman

Mrs Bernal

Miss DeSantis

& Miss Parvin

with Mrs Stannard as support.



I will be learning..

YEAR 4 PUPILS

During your time in Year 4, we will expect you to:

- ◆ Always put in 100% effort.
- ◆ Aim to have 100% attendance (research shows that there is a direct link between fantastic end of year results and extremely high attendance).
- ◆ Be kind and considerate to everyone.
- ◆ Do your homework to a high standard - homework to be given in every Tuesday, when new homework will be given out.
- ◆ Read regularly to an adult at home.
- ◆ Practice your spellings.
- ◆ Look after your own things.
- ◆ Make sure you wear the correct uniform with the appropriate footwear.
- ◆ Bring your PE kit in on Tuesday.

LITERACY

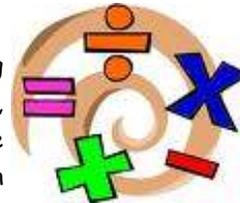
Children will be focusing on narrative and non-fiction this term. We will be immersing ourselves in the wonderful world of Narnia and exploring the legend of Robin Hood. In our non-fiction work we will be writing explanation texts about cats and dogs as well as a report on mythical creatures.

Please make sure that your child is reading lots of myths, legends and non fiction at home.



MATHS

In Maths we will be deepening our understanding of fractions, exploring the world of negative numbers and position, direction and movement. We will also continue to master our new calculation methods.



SCIENCE

This term we will be investigating changing states of matter. This will include finding out about solids, liquids and gases and how they transform from one state to another.

We will also have a short additional lesson every week where the children will have the opportunity to revise some key scientific concepts that they have previously learnt. These will include: teeth, plants, rocks and soils and properties of materials.



Computing Our unit this term is "We Are Toy Makers" We will be programming using Lego to build robot toys.

Music We will be continuing our guitar lessons this term—we are learning to read music and compose our own riffs (short melodies).

RE This term we will be learning about Christianity and Judaism. We will be visiting a synagogue to support our understanding of the Jewish faith.

PSHE We will be focussing on friendship and kindness as well as developing our understanding of community and what it means to belong to one.

ART & D.T. In Art we are planning to explore the world of collage and in DT we will be designing and making our own story books.

P.E. PE will be on a Tuesday this term. We will be developing our dance skills and our skills in tag rugby with an external coach.

CLUBS Year 4 will be running a Maths club, a writing club and a confidence building club.

Additional Information

Trips

We have one trip planned for the Spring term. It will be linked to our RE topic and we will be visiting a synagogue.

Parent Workshop - *Monday 12 January*

In our workshop this term we will be focussing on key skills that you can help develop at home.

Assessment week: w/c 2nd February

Year 4 will be assessed during the Spring Term. The purpose of this is to identify gaps in learning and to help your child progress.

We know that traditionally, Spring term sees lots of consolidation and progression. We are really looking forward to a calm, focussed term where we will ALL strive to achieve our very best in all areas of Cyril Jackson life.

It is particularly important that during this week children go to bed at a reasonable time and that they are given a nutritious breakfast every day.

Things you will need in Year 4...



SCHOOL SHOES

Plimsolls or lace-ups. Trainers can be worn, as long as they are completely black.

P.E. KIT

Shorts, T-shirt, plimsolls or trainers in a small bag - drawstring if possible.



MARY the COOK

MRS KEMP

Please **remember** to label everything with your name - especially sweatshirts, PE kits and coats!



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Happy New Year

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