

Year 4 Newsletter 18.9.26

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you have had a good week and that the children have shared with you some of what we have been doing in school this week!

Thank you to those who came along to the Year 4 Information Meeting on Tuesday. We hope it proved useful. Details presented at the meeting can be found on the website for those who were unable to make it.

Children were also able to come to school today in jeans for our charity fundraising event, 'Jeans for Genes Day'. Thank you for your support.

This term's curriculum map (with more information about topics covered) can also be found on our website on the 'curriculum' tab, then 'curriculum overview'.

This Week

This week, we had an interesting workshop presented by GenEarth on 'Why Animals Matter'. The aim of GenEarth is 'to equip the generation inheriting the climate crisis with the tools to build a future where people and nature can thrive together'. The children participated really well and we all learned lots.

We have also been constructing simple circuits in Electricity and using charcoal to explore proportion and tone when drawing in our Art lesson..

Next Week

In Maths, we will be continuing our work on Place Value including work on comparing and ordering numbers up to 10,000 and looking at Roman numerals.

You could support at home by discussing where we see Roman numerals in our lives today.

In English, we will continue our work on descriptive writing based on the book 'Escape from Pompeii' by Christina Balit.

You could support at home by talking about the vocabulary the children can remember we have used to describe the volcanic eruption.

In Science, we will be thinking about different electrical circuits and identifying those that will/will not allow electricity to flow and the reasons for this.

In Spanish, we shall be doing some language and artwork to celebrate European Day of Languages.

Homework

English homework will be in homework books on Tuesday 22nd September for completion by Monday 28th September.

Spelling words will also be given out on Tuesday 22nd September for testing on Monday 28th September.

Please encourage your child to use Times Table Rockstars regularly to improve their fluency with multiplication.

Reading

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Please ensure your child's Reading Record is signed by an adult. Children should be reading every evening for at least 15 minutes and, where possible, to an adult. All books can be changed during the class Library Session.

Notices and Reminders

P.E. - Please make sure that all children have P.E. kits, including trainers, in school every day. If your child has a sports' club after school for which they need their PE kit, please ensure it comes back into school the next day.

Please ensure that your child has a pencil case in school with the necessary equipment, including a whiteboard pen and a glue stick.

Year 4 Trip to Verulamium, St Albans – Wednesday 21st October 2026

We have arranged a day trip to Verulamium Museum towards the end of this half term to link with our History topic on the Romans. You will shortly be receiving an email with the details for the trip and how to pay. If there are any parents who are able to and would like to volunteer to accompany us and support the children on this trip, please could you let your child's teacher know via the class email. Many thanks.

Book Recommendation

This week, Mrs Mendez recommends 'Escape to the River Sea' by Emma Carroll.

Upcoming dates (taken from the whole school newsletter)

Friday 25 th September	GenEarth Workshop for Year 5
Friday 9 th October	Year 5 Pedestrian Training
Week Beginning 12th October	Pennies for the PTA House Competition
Tuesday 13th October	Parents Consultation Evening
Wednesday 14th October	Parents Consultation Evening
Wednesday 21 st October	Year 3 Stone Age Workshop
Wednesday 21 st October	Year 4 Trip to Verulamium, St Albans
Thursday 23 rd October	Yr 5 Harvest Festival assembly to school am
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(Half term - Monday 26th October to Friday 30th October)

Monday 2nd November	Training Day (no children)
Monday 3 rd November	Children return to school
Monday 3 rd November	Nasal Flu vaccinations
Friday 6 th November	Individual photographs

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Tuesday 17th – Friday 20th Nov

Friday 19th November

Friday 13th November

Friday 11th December

Monday 14th December

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Tuesday 16th December

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Thursday 17th December

Friday 18th December

Travelling Book Fair Days

Art Frames Exhibition

Children In Need Day

Christmas lunch, Christmas Service and Christmas Jumper Day TBC

Autumn term report cards out to parents/carers

Year 3 Christmas performances dress rehearsal to the school

Year 3 Christmas Performance to parents/carers 9:30am

Year 3 Christmas Performance to parents/carers 5pm

Christmas Parties

School term ends at 12:30pm

Reminders/deadlines/ key dates for next week

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Spelling test and homework due	Beech, Elm, Maple – PE Beech, Maple – Library		European Day of Languages celebration – assembly and languages activity afternoon Beech, Elm, Maple - PE	Elm – Library Beech, Elm, Maple - PE

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Mendez, Miss Malone, Miss Cook

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