

# Welcome to Year 4

## Spring Term 2024



Happy New Year. The children have settled back into school really well and have made a super start to the Spring Term. The information below is designed to help you and your child get the most out of the current term. If there is anything you are unsure about or if you want extra help/support in any area, please do not hesitate to come into school and have a chat.

Class Teachers	4G Miss Garbett 4H Miss Horsfield
Teaching Assistants	Mrs Donovan, Mrs Fisher, Mrs Sykes-Ellis, Mrs Thacker
Important Dates	<b>Swimming</b> continues until February half term.
Homework	<b>Reading:</b> 10-15 minutes every day <b>Spellings:</b> weekly practice and test in school. A piece of either <b>maths, English or topic-related work</b> will be handed out every Friday to be handed in by the following Wednesday. Regular times tables practice on <b>Times Tables Rockstars</b> with weekly tests in school.
Home School Diary	Please help your child look to after this and remember to bring it into school every day.
PE	<b>Swimming</b> every Thursday afternoon—please ensure your child has their kit. <b>4H Tuesdays</b> with Mr Maylard-Mason <b>4G Fridays</b> with Mr Maylard-Mason Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school every day just in case there is a timetable change. After half term there will be a second PE session, day to be timetabled later.
English	In our English lessons we will be developing writing skills, focusing on describing settings and creating a feeling of suspense in stories. We will then move on to learn about the features of non fiction text and practise report writing.
Maths	This half term we will continue to explore multiplication and division, before moving on to learning more about fractions and decimals. We will be also calculating the perimeters of shapes.
Geography	Our Geography topic is the rainforest; we will be looking at the location of the world's rainforests and then focusing on the Amazon Rainforest. We will look at the resources provided by rainforests and the problems caused by deforestation.
Science	Our topic in science this term is Living things and their habitats, which will be linked to the Rainforest topic. Children will have the opportunity to explore and use classification keys, group living things and understand changes in environments and the dangers to living things.
Computing	Our computing sessions will cover creating computer animations and continuing our programming skills.
Art/DT	Our art topic will be based on the work of Joseph Cornell with the children creating a rainforest scene in a box.
PSHE	Our PSHE topics this term are Hope and Dreams and Healthy Me. These themes are explored in the classroom and through whole school assemblies.
RE	We will be reading stories about miraculous escapes from a variety of faiths.
French/Music	French will be taught by Mrs Broster and music by Mr Parnell every Friday.