

Welcome to Year 4 😊



Respect, Responsibility, Resilience



# Our School values

Respect

Responsibility

Resilience

# The Year 4 team 😊

Mrs Guest  
(Class teacher)



Mr Hayes  
(Teaching Assistant)



Mrs Speight  
(PPA teacher)



Mrs Davison  
(Teaching Assistant)



# Topics for the Autumn term

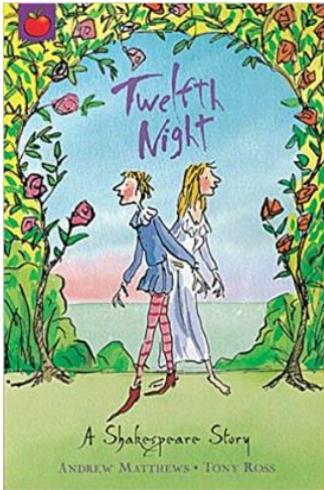
Subject	Topic
RE- Come and See	People / Called / Gift
English	Twelfth Night – Shakespeare Escape from Pompeii Varjak Paw
Maths	Place value Addition and Subtraction Multiplication and Division
Science	Our Changing World Where does all that food go? Good Vibrations
PE	Gymnastics Dodgeball Dance Swimming lessons
History	Romans and the impact on Britain
Geography	Rivers

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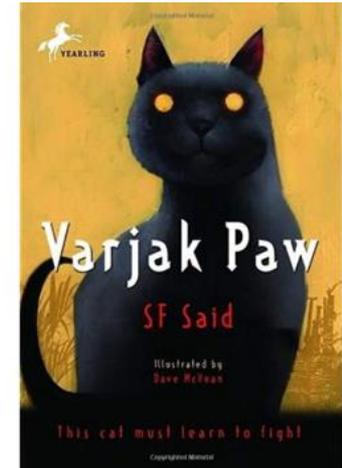
Subject	Topic
Art and Design	Portraits of Roman sculptures and busts Designing and making Roman clay pots
Design and Technology	Textiles: Fastenings
Music	Mamma Mia Glockenspiel Stage 2
Computing	Real or Fake Game Designer
French	Welcome to School Super Learners My Local Area, Your Local Area
Aspire to Inspire	Malala Yousafzai

# Class books – Autumn Term

The books which we will be looking at in more detail are:



Twelfth Night  
(based on  
Shakespeare)



Varjak Paw  
By SF Said



# Y4 swimming lessons

Y4 will be having their swimming lessons on the following dates:

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2021

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2021

There will be 8 lessons in total which will last 1 hour each.

For the swimming lessons, children must take:

Swimming costume / swimming trunks

Towel

Goggles (if needed)

Swimming cap for anyone with long hair

The children are not allowed to shower after their swimming lessons.

The cost of the lessons and transport is £16, which is to be paid via Parent Pay.

# Homework

All homework will be set using Seesaw. If children have no access to internet at home parents will need to inform school so alternative arrangements can be made. Passwords will be sent home again, if they are needed.

Children will receive their homework on a Monday, which is to be completed for Friday.

Homework for this half term will consist of:

TT Rockstars

Spelling and Maths practice on Edshed.

SPAG Online

There will be a big emphasis on the children knowing their multiplication tables and corresponding division facts. So please encourage your child to go on TT Rocks and any times tables apps.

Spellings are either personalised for each child, taken from spelling patterns being covered in class or common exception word lists.

# Multiplication Tables Check

By the end of Year 4, children will be expected to confidently know all of their times tables up to 12 x 12.

The children will take the new 'Multiplication Tables Check at the end of the year to ensure children are meeting the benchmark of memorising their times tables up to 12 x 12 before moving up to Upper Key Stage 2 (Year 5 and Year 6).

This means not only recalling them at speed, but also being able to answer any times table question at random and knowing the related division facts.

Children will be given the opportunity to use the Times Tables Check in school and can use the links below to become familiar with the structure.

<https://www.timestables.co.uk/multiplication-tables-check/>

<https://mathsframe.co.uk/en/resources/resource/477/Multiplication-Tables-Check>

Time Tables Rock Stars is also a good tool which the children should use to support this.

# Safeguarding team

Mrs Rooney

Safeguarding Lead



Miss Sharratt



Mrs Featherstone



Miss Kenworthy

Deputy Safeguarding Lead

# Online Safety Information

- Once a month, we will be sending out an Online Safety Newsletter for our Parents and Carers. This will help us to highlight any changes to be aware of regarding online safety, age restrictions and apps to be aware of.
- We are always here to help if you have any queries about Social Media or children using the internet safely.
- Children have regular lessons in school regarding Online Safety.

# Reading books

Reading diaries will be checked each Monday by staff.

The children, in Year 4, will have the opportunity to change their books when they have completed the Accelerated Reading Quiz.

Children also have the additional option of reading an online book via MyOn, which can also link to their Accelerated Reading account.

If your child finishes their reading book at home, they can access their Accelerated Reading account and complete the quiz at home. If they cannot complete the quiz at home, then time will be allocated in school for this. It is better to complete the quiz as soon as possible while details are fresh in their mind.

# Holy Communion

- Preparation for the children's First Confessions and First Holy Communion will commence in January 2022.
- Other than 2 evenings in church with parents and children, all preparation will take place in school.
- As part of the preparation, Father Michael would like the children to attend Mass on a Tuesday morning, once a half term. This will start this term with the children attending Mass as a whole class with staff from school.

# Holy Communion Day

- Father Michael would like all of the children to make their First Holy Communion together which is back to how it was done in previous years.
- A letter will follow shortly outlining all of the details when they have been finalised.

# Feel Good Friday

- On Friday, we will be holding our first 'Feel Good Friday' for the school year. These will be held on the last Friday of each month.
- The children are allowed to wear their own clothes for the day in exchange of £1 to be paid via Parent Pay.
- As part of our annual fundraising for MacMillan, we will be holding a cake sale on Friday 24th. Any donations of cakes will be greatly appreciated. We will be selling the cakes at 50p each, with all money going to MacMillan.

# Snack and water bottles

- Please could we ask that children bring 1 healthy snack to school, such as a piece of fruit.
- Please can we ask that cereal bars are not sent into school as we have children in school with severe nut allergies. Packed lunches should also not have any foods which contain nuts, e.g. Nutella.
- Please could children bring a drinks bottle to school, which is filled with water.



## What is Y4 all about?



- Hard work
- Determination
- Self-motivation
- Personal goals
  - Great fun
  - Resilience
- And most importantly, memories that will last forever! 😊

The best thing about,  
*Memories*  
... is making them