

Year 4 - Summer 1 Term Newsletter

Must bring to school every day:

- Reading folder
- Reading record book
- School bag
- Water bottle
- Sun cap and sun cream (if it is sunny)

Topic

Fabulous Fables!

Traits

Self Regulation, Positive Relationships, Understanding Others, Social Responsibility, Kindness and Teamwork

Homework

- Reading- (10 minutes each day and write at least two entries in the diary each week - one from an adult)
- Times table Rockstars and/or Numbots
- Spellings - 10 each week
- Spell Zone (additional spelling)

Important dates

Monday 5th May - Bank Holiday - School Closed

Wednesday 7th May - Y4 Gallery

23rd May - Own Clothes Day

Children need to be in school at 8:30am - 8:45am each morning.

We do morning activities, and I give lots of verbal feedback in this time.

PE

Our PE days are Tuesday and Thursday.

### Personally, Social, Character Development

This term there will be a big emphasis on children using their 'questioning' and 'making links' muscles as well as needing their 'revising' and 'imagination' muscles. We will be revisiting our PSCD traits through bespoke sessions and within all of our curriculum learning, these will include; self regulation, positive relationships, understanding others and social responsibility.

### History, Geography & Social Understanding

We are doing lots of Geography learning this term and will be learning all about Water. Introducing children to the water cycle and allowing them to explore the processes of evaporation and condensation through a range of practical activities. By considering water as a finite resource, they are introduced to the ideas of conservation and consider some of the issues surrounding supplying clean drinking water to a growing global population.

In Spanish, we will be learning about Our Day and how to speak, read and write phrases to do with time, daily activities and timetables.

### Science and Technological Understanding

This term, we will be building on our learning of evaporation in science, which links closely with what we're learning in geography. It helps us understand how environmental factors influence natural processes. We will use scientific vocabulary to explain and describe the scientific process of evaporation.

### Understanding the Arts

This term, we will be using art to story tell. We will be creating paintings to illustrate a story. We'll practice different brush techniques to capture their details and explore how paint can create mood. We will also look at the artist Shaun Tan and talk about the features and skill of his work, as well as using our appreciation PSCD trait to talk about what we like and don't like.



Fabulous Fables!

### Understanding English, Communication & Language

This term we will be exploring fabulous fables, reading a variety of fables and writing our own. We will be looking more closely at narrative writing to create our own fable. This will involve us learning how to put direct speech into our writing and using grammar in a creative way to create more impact and meaning for our reader. For example changing the length of a sentence to suit the tone. We will also be working on speaking and listening skills and using subject specific vocabulary to explain and describe, linking into our science learning.

### Mathematical Understanding

This term, our focus will be on decimals; building on our existing knowledge of fractions. Alongside this, we will delve into practical applications, learning to estimate and calculate with money while tackling multi-step money problems. Additionally, we'll explore the concept of time, mastering the conversion between digital and analogue formats.

### Understanding Physical Health

P.E will take place on a Tuesday and Thursday this term. This term, we will be learning how to play rounders as well as using invasion techniques we have learnt this year to play other games such as hockey, football and netball.

### Computing

This term, our focus in computing is on mastering various techniques to manipulate digital images. We'll dive into photo editing, learning how to alter images, change colours, and retouch photos.