

4AC & 4AD Newsletter

Summer 1, April 2023



Year 4
Blog



Dates for your diary

Fri 28th April - class photos

Mon 1st May - Bank holiday

Mon 8th May - Bank holiday - King's Coronation

Friday 26th May - Mental Health Day



Welcome back Year 4!

We'd like to start off by wishing everyone Eid Mubarak – we hope you all had a wonderful time celebrating with your family and friends.

This term children are thinking about different relationships we experience in our life. These choices will be explored through the children's P.S.H.E. lessons.

Please email us if you have any questions about your child's learning or to share homework:
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Maths

As children will sit the Multiplication Test Check in June, we have a big focus on teaching children strategies to fluently recall their multiplications up to 12. We will continue with this throughout the term as well as:

- the division inverse of all multiplications
- fractions
- decimals

Times tables

Please support your child to practise their times tables. Just 15 minutes a day can make all the difference.

Useful websites:



Be a Rockstar!



Test your speed



Geography

Where in the UK would you go on a staycation?

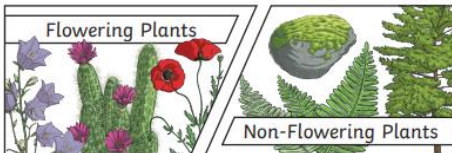


Children will explore the wonders of the British Isles and learn geographical vocabulary such as region, National Park and physical features of the land.

Science (biology)

Which animals and plants thrive in Withington?

Children will learn about how a changing environment can impact living things and their habitats and how animals and plants can be categorised.



Homework

Homework is set every Friday and should be completed and handed in by Wednesday.
Homework tasks include:

- spelling practice - for a test the following week
- a new vocabulary task
- maths - based on learning in class
- a discussion task on local and global topics

We love to see all the effort that goes into home learning and will display notable effort and well-presented work for everyone to see and celebrate.



Swimming and P.E.

Swimming on Tuesday.
P.E. on Wednesday.

Swimming kit: one piece swimming costume / tight trunks and swimming hat for longer hair and a towel. Please visit the blog to see examples of the kit.

P.E. kit: black shorts/leggings/joggers, white t-shirt and pumps/trainers.

Please remember to label all items of clothing with your child's name.

We will keep P.E. kit in school and send it home at the end of this half term.

Reading books

Children receive a new reading book every week.

It is important that children bring their reading book Reading Journal to school every week.

At home:

- listen to your child read daily
- discuss the book and new/interesting words to support comprehension
- Complete a reflection activity in their Reading Journal once a week.



English

In year 4 we will be writing newspaper recounts. In this unit we will explore a variety of newspaper articles to help us write our own.

The writing will focus on:

- writing catchy headings
- including the 5ws into our introduction
- using the third person
- writing in the past tense
- using a variety of sentence openers
- organising different themes in paragraphs.

