

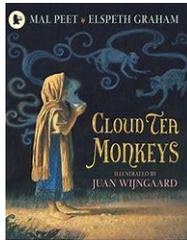


Year 4 Newsletter Term 3

Welcome back for the third term of year 4! We hope that you all had a lovely Christmas and you all got a relaxing and restful break over the holidays. We are having a fantastic and memorable year in year 4 and we are so excited to see what term 3 has in store to contribute to everyone's learning experiences. As a year group team, we are so proud of each and every child for how well they are coping with the new normal and how school has got to currently be. They have all astounded us with their resilience, determination and motivation to learn.

This term, our topic is 'China' which will involve the children exploring and understanding both the historical and geographical backgrounds of the country. There will be lots of topic lessons packed full of interesting facts and fascinating, engaging activities to broaden the children's knowledge.

Within maths for term 3, the children will be learning all about multiplication and division facts related to the 11 and 12 times tables. In addition, the children will be exploring written methods for addition and subtraction. We will be reading the text 'Cloud Tea Monkeys' by Mal Peet and Elspeth Graham in term 3 which the children will utilise to produce a fiction and non-fiction piece of writing on. This text will also be used within the children's reading sessions to build up their skills of answering a range of questions as well as having additional exposure to the grammar skills that will be taught through their writing lessons. In science we will be learning all about sound and how sound travels and is heard. In computing the children will be focusing on computer science and online bullying as part of the online safety curriculum. The children will also have weekly RE, Jigsaw and art lessons.



Our PE days in year 4 will be on a Wednesday afternoon for outdoor PE. We will be completing a daily 15 minute PE task four times a week too which may include activities such as skipping. Please ensure that your child has a fully labelled PE kit in school each day. Please make sure that long hair is tied back and that non-religious jewellery is removed. Throughout the year, the children will be developing a range of skills during their PE lessons.

Meet the team!

4B

Mrs Britton

Mrs Randell

4W

Miss Webb

Miss O'Connor

Homework will continue to be given out on a Friday and will be due in on the following Wednesday. It will be 5 reads in the reading record, spellings, times tables and on alternative weeks a piece of maths or grammar based homework. The spelling homework will follow the weekly spelling rule and will involve the children practising the spelling of the words and putting them into sentences to show their understanding of its meaning and context. The children will be tested with a spelling test on Fridays. We ask that reading records are in school daily so that we can monitor children's reading at home. We would like children to read at home at least 5 times per week. This should be recorded in reading records please. We understand that children may not always wish to read their school books and would encourage them to explore a range of reading materials. These could include: fact files, magazines, newspapers, recipes, poetry, fiction and non-fiction texts. Reading records will be checked on Wednesdays along with the other pieces of homework that the children will have completed in their homework books. New reading books and reading records will be sent home with the new weekly homework on Fridays.

Many thanks for your support! We look forward to another exciting and fun-filled term with you all!
The year 4 team.