

Curriculum Newsletter

Year 4 Term 3 - 2023/2024

Welcome back to Term 3! Well done for a fantastic start to Year 4. I hope you all had a restful break and are ready to go for Term 3.

It is important your child brings in their **water bottle, reading bookmarks and books and a coat** every day! Please continue to log in to ClassDojo where you will be able to see the amazing learning taking place in and outside of our classroom and receive updates from all of us!

Dates for Term 3:

16th January: School Photographs

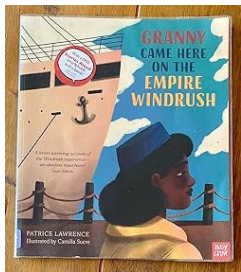
25th January: Open event

24th January: Cinema Event

6th February: Children's Mental Health Week Learning Afternoon

10th February: Last day of school

Readers and Authors



This term, we will study the book 'Granny came here on the Empire Windrush', written by Patrice Lawrence. We will be writing a diary entry in role of somebody who has

recently arrived on the Windrush.

We will continue to practise and develop our spelling, punctuation and grammar skills within our writing sessions.

Alongside this, children will learn key reading skills including retrieving information from a text, predicting what will happen next and using inferences skills to think about what a character may be thinking or feeling.

Mathematicians



In this term, we will be focussing on multiplication, in particular our 3, 6 and 9 times tables. Towards the end of the term, we will focus on our 7

multiplication and division facts.

We will then use related multiplication facts to solve problems.

It is fundamental that your child continues to **log into Times Tables Rockstars** to continue their multiplication practise. Please ask me at the door or message on ClassDojo if you need a reminder of your child's Times Table Rockstars username and password.

MathsFrame and Hit the Button are also very useful websites.

We are Evergreen citizens

This term our jigsaw unit is 'Relationships.' We will discuss the types of relationships we have in our lives including those with our family and friends. We will also discuss what happens when these relationships end and potential reasons for this. We will begin to explore the concept of grief. If you have any concerns about this, please message me or ask me at the door.



We are scientists

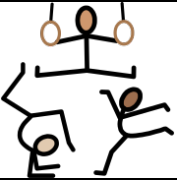


As scientists we will be looking at States of Matter. We will explore the three states of matter, their structure and examples of these. We will also be learning how these states of matter can change, carrying out practical experiments to see this in action.

We are Geographers



This term we will be exploring the South East of England. We will be locating this on a map in the context of the wider world. We will also locate important counties, cities and features within this area. We will explore the difference between human and physical features as well as work on our map skills.



Our PE days this term are Tuesday and Wednesday. On Tuesday, Miss Gilbert will be teaching Real PE with a focus on the personal cog.



We are continuing to use an individualised spelling programme across the school. Your children will have 16 spellings to learn every week as part of their homework and it is very important that they are supported to learn these before being tested on a Friday morning.



For homework, children have their weekly spelling list as outlined above. They will be set Timestable rockstars activities for them to access online at <https://play.ttrockstars.com/>
We have a new library which the children will use every week. Children are expected to read for **20 minutes every day**. Please support your child in encouraging them to read daily. Reading bookmarks will be checked on a **Friday**.

If you have any questions at all, please contact us through ClassDojo or speak with us at the door.

Yours Sincerely,
Miss Gilbert