Welcome to Year Four





Expectations and Events

We are here to work with you to help your children, please contact us if there is anything we can do to help you.

Our School Values

Be Kind, Be Creative, Be Courageous







Topics



Autumn

- Roman Remains - the Romans
- Roman Remains - Italy

Spring

- Would you rather be an Anglo-Saxon or a Viking?

Summer

- Homes and Habitats

Trips and visitors



- Autumn term – Bignor Roman Villa
- Spring term – The Viking Man
- Summer term – Local mapping walks

P.E.

Monday - hockey (outdoors)

Friday - gymnastics (indoors)

PE days will change each half-term as we have a number of external sports specialist coaches. Please come to school in PE kit, trainers and NO jewellery/earrings.

Assembly

Thursday 22nd October - Year 4 Assembly

Assessment



Year 4 times tables test. This takes place in the summer term. All children will take a test using the iPad. They will get 25 questions with 6 seconds to answer each question. They need to know all their times tables.

Assessment is ongoing and continuous. Carefully planned lessons and frequent retrieval activities will support the children to remember what they have learned. Some assessment is formative where we look at how your child performs in class and demonstrates their understanding. Other assessment is more formal and done via formal written tests. This is always backed up by teacher judgements.

Children have been assessed throughout their time in school. This is nothing new and helps us to identify areas where support is needed.

Homework



- Daily reading (15-20 minutes)
- Spellings (20 minutes/week) - daily practice
- Maths (Schofield and Simms arithmetic books; Section A&B) (20 mins)
- Times tables (set on Times Tables Rockstars) (20 mins)
- Homework will be set on Wednesdays and due the following Monday.

Social Media

We know that social media is a major part of everyday lives but please be vigilant around the ways in which your child is using technology. Some resources that may help:

- https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/social-media/
- https://www.knowsleyclcs.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/07/Parental-Controls-booklet-2023.pdf

Rewards and Sanctions



Specific praise

Honour book recognition

House points:

- For recognition of positive behaviour in the classroom and around school. These points add into the whole school house point system.

Merits:

- Individual rewards for exemplary work and behaviour. Children will need to gain 44 Merits to achieve their Bronze award. Then it will be repeated for their Silver/Gold/Platinum Awards.

Values stickers:

- Children will be rewarded with stickers that reflect our school values. These are: Be Kind, Be Creative, Be Courageous.

How can you help?



- Please read our home-school agreement
- Please read as much as possible with your child
- Help your child identify a quiet time and place for homework
- Be positive
- Attend school events
- Volunteers
- 'Friends' contact for the class
- Tell school if there are issues
- Email – we respond within 48 hours (Monday to Friday)