



Curriculum Information – Year 4: Spring 2

Dear Parents/Carers,

It is so lovely to see all the children back in the classroom, after a deserved half term.

This half term we are going to practise our Easter play and keep working hard on our times tables, ready for the summer test! We will be covering a range of subject areas this half term as outlined below.

English	<p>This half term in English, the children will read as their focus text <i>Leon and The Place Between</i> written by Angela McAllister. They will build up their narrative writing skills ending with their own version of the story.</p> <p>In Guided Reading we will practise a range of skills using both fiction and non-fiction texts.</p>
Maths	<p>Our maths learning this half term will focus on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Calculating and solving problems with decimal numbers.● Multiply two and three-digit numbers by a one-digit number using a formal written layout● Properties of shapes and symmetry.● Times table practise will take place several times a week to ensure children are confident at recalling their 2,5,10, 3, 4 and 8 times table before progressing to learning and securing both multiplication and division facts for the 6,7,9,11 and 12s times tables.
Science	<p>In Science this term, we are looking at the topic of sound.</p> <p>The children will learn to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● describe how sounds are made and heard through different mediums.● describe the relationship between volume and distance.● describe pitch and how to change it.● explain how insulating materials can be used to muffle sound.
PE	<p><u>Tennis – Tuesday</u></p> <p>Children will develop racket and ball control. They will learn to return the ball using forehand and backhand and to keep a rally going showing increased technique.</p>

RE	<p>Brach 4 : Desert to Garden</p> <p>In this branch children will explore the themes of forgiveness and reconciliation during lent. We will study key parables, including the prodigal son and the parable of the judgement of the nations. Children will gain an overview of Holy Week through the study of St Matthew’s Gospel.</p>
RSE	<p><u>Module 2, Unit 2</u></p> <p>Session 1: Friends, Family and Others</p> <p>Session 2: When Things Feel Bad</p> <p><u>Module 2, Unit 3</u></p> <p>Session 1: Sharing online.</p> <p>Session 2: Chatting online</p>
<p>Humanities Arts Computing</p>	<p>Geography- Children will be learning about rivers – what they are and how they are used.</p> <p>Art & DT – Mega Materials – children will be using a range of materials to create artworks.</p> <p>Computing – Writing for different audiences.</p> <p>Music – We will be learning songs and movements for our Easter production. Children will have ukulele lessons every Tuesday afternoon.</p> <p>French- The classroom</p>
Home Learning	<p>Children will be expected to completed the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Daily Reading – 10-15 minutes (Boom reader logged) ● Spelling tests will not take place however it is important to look at the example words and discuss the spelling pattern or key focus with your child or carry out the spelling activity. Assessments will take place in class through a range of activities such as dictation, group activities and investigative work. ● Times Tables Rock Stars – 15 minutes 3x per week ● Share the weekly word Gospel reading with your child. Complete the age appropriate activities.

A few reminders:

- Please bring a named water bottle every day
- Please ensure your child is equipped for cold weathers as the Spring term can prove to be quite unpredictable at times! Please ensure all items of clothing brought into school are named. There will be more lessons carried out outdoors so children should have a thick jacket/coat to keep them warm.
- Please listen to your child read as much as possible in the week as well as reading out loud to your child. More information regarding reading books will follow.

Continue to check the school newsletter, website and Facebook page for important dates and information

Should you have any questions or anything you wish to discuss please email year4@[holyfamily.herts.sch.uk](mailto:year4@holyfamily.herts.sch.uk) or phone the school to make a telephone appointment.

Thank you for your continued support,

Miss Clifford