



### Curriculum Information – Year 4

Dear Parents/Carers,

It is so lovely to see all the children back in the classroom, after a well-deserved break.

We are going to practising our Times Tables, ready for the summer test!

We will be covering a range of subject areas this half term as outlined below.

<b>English</b>	<p>This half term in English, the children will begin with a unit on persuasive letters, where they will ultimately write a persuasive letter to an audience of their choice. They will explore and use a range of persuasive techniques. We will look at the texts Malala's Magic Pencil by Malala Yousafzai and Greta and The Giants by Zoe Tucker and Zoe Persico.</p> <p>We will use a range of texts to continue to practise our reading and comprehension skills including extracts from Alice in Wonderland.</p>
<b>Maths</b>	<p>Our maths learning this half term will focus on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Formal method for division.</li><li>● Negative Numbers – Counting through Zero and Calculating in Context</li><li>● Roman numerals</li><li>● Times table practise will take place several times a week to ensure children are confident and quick recall.</li></ul>
<b>Science</b>	<p>In Science this half term, we are looking at the topic of <b>Living things and their habitats</b>.</p> <p>They will learn about the different ways of classifying animals and plants e.g. fish, mammals, amphibians, etc. The children will also look at habitats and threats they face.</p>
<b>PE</b>	<p><b>P.E Day:</b> Tuesday. This will also remain as our LOTC day, where the children will need to come to school in full, correct kit.</p> <p>Our PE this half term will be athletics in preparation for sports day. Children will build up stamina and understanding of speed and pace when running over distance. Children will develop power and technique for sprinting and jumping and throwing over distance.</p>

<b>RE</b>	In this branch, pupils will complete the story of St Peter through the Resurrection account in St John's Gospel, linking his denial and restoration to his leadership of the Church. They will understand the Pope as Peter's successor. We will study the Apostles' Creed as a summary of the faith professed at baptism,
<b>RSE</b>	Session 1: Sharing online Session 2: Chatting online. Session 3: Safe in my body. Session 4: Drugs, alcohol, tobacco. Session 5: First Aid Heroes.
<b>Humanities Arts Computing</b>	<b>History</b> – The children will be thinking about how did the achievements of the Mayan civilisation impact their society and beyond? <b>Art</b> –sculptures of different kinds and sketching techniques <b>Computing</b> – Logo <b>Music</b> –2 more Ukulele sessions and then focus on Samba music. <b>French</b> - At the tea room
<b>Home Learning</b>	Children will be expected to completed the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Daily Reading – 10-15 minutes (Boom reader logged)</li> <li>● 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.</li> <li>● Times Tables Rock Stars – 15 minutes 3x per week</li> <li>● Share the weekly word Gospel reading with your child. Complete the age appropriate activities.</li> </ul>

A few reminders:

- Please bring a named water bottle every day
- Please ensure your child is equipped for warmer weathers as the Summer term can prove to be quite unpredictable at times! Please ensure all items of clothing brought into school are named. Sun hats are compulsory when the weather is hot. Sun cream should not be sent into school but applied before school in the morning.
- 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