



Curriculum Information – Year 4

Autumn Term 2nd September-23rd October 2026

Half term 26th to 30st October

Dear Parents/Carers,

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

English	Our term starts with the children across the whole school taking part in a project studying the text called Journeys. We will then move on to our key text which will be 'Arthur And The Golden Rope by Joe Todd-Stanton.' This topic is aimed at addressing key skills linked to grammar and sentence construction, ensuring that essential prior learning is embedded. Children will plan and write a short narrative. After this we will look at our next key text "The King who Banned the Dark". The book will lead us into writing persuasive speeches and introducing the idea of creating different forms of literary arguments. Our class book this term is 'Call me Lion' by Camilla Chester.
Maths	Our maths learning this half term will focus on: place value – ordering and comparing numbers beyond 1000, securing addition and subtracting mental fluency, securing formal written methods for addition and subtraction, counting in multiples of 6,7,9, 25 and 1000 as well as carrying out a range of problems solving, including problems involving measures. We will learn about multiplying and dividing a one or two-digit numbers by 10 and 100 and how to solve problems involving mental strategies. Times table practise will take place several times a week to ensure children are confident at recalling their multiplication facts at speed.
Science	Our main Science topic this half term is Digestion. Children will learn about the human digestive system and then progress on to looking at animal digestion systems forming comparisons and why that may be. We will also look at teeth both in humans and animals and again, why they differ depending on different diets.
PE	P.E day: Tuesday (please ensure your child's comes to school in the correct PE kit). Only stud earrings please, no hoops. Our first topic this half term will be football.

RE	Our RE topic will be based on creation and covenant. Children will learn The story of Abraham, Joseph and his family. We will focus on virtues and the way a person lives their life.
Humanities/Arts/Computing/French	Geography - Where does our food come from? Art - Painting and mixed media- light and dark Computing – Online safety and basics of coding. French - Presenting myself Music – Body and tuned percussion (rainforests)
Home Learning	Children will be expected to complete the following: • Daily Reading – 10-15 minutes. (Recorded on Boom Reader) • Purple Mash – activity set by class teacher • Times Tables Rock Stars – 15 minutes 3x per week Share the weekly Wednesday word Gospel rearing 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 all weathers as the Autumn 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 please bring a rain jacket/coat just in case the weather turns in the day.
- 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@hollyfamily.herts.sch.uk or phone the school to make a telephone appointment.

Thank you for your continued support.

Miss Clifford and Year 4 Team