



CURRICULUM GUIDE


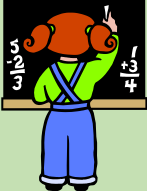

For parents of children in

Year 4




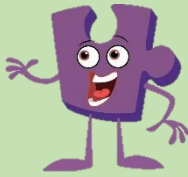
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CURRICULUM GUIDES FOR PARENTS OF CHILDREN IN YEAR 4

Work covered by pupils in Year 4 in the Advent Term will include the following:

 <p>English</p>	<p>Reading:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Individual books• Class reader - Charlie and the Chocolate Factory• Comprehension tasks <p>Speaking and listening:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Harvest and Christmas• Class discussion/group work• Oral comprehension• Performance Poetry <p>Writing: I am a Clever Writer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Handwriting• Spellings• Grammar – adverbs, adverbials, verbs, conjunctions, direct speech• Fiction – story writing and character descriptions• Non-fiction – Non Chronological Report linked to topic work• Poetry – writing and performing a poem in the style of Michael Rosen
 <p>Mathematics</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Weekly aural/written mental arithmetic tests• Weekly tables tests (individually 2x to 12x)• Place value, ordering and counting whole 5 digit numbers• Addition/subtraction mental strategies – 2 digit to 2 digit numbers.• Addition/subtraction written methods - addition-partitioning, subtraction-numberlines and expanded decomposition• Multiplication written methods – simple division with remainder• Area• Investigations/problem solving
 <p>Science</p>	<p>States of Matter</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Solids, liquids and gases• Changes of state• Water cycle and weather <p>Space</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Earth in Space

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The planets of the Solar system. • Stars
 <p>Art/DT</p>	<p>Art:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Observational drawings- exploring tone and composition with different media • Mixed media skills • Christmas cards <p>D&T:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Design, make and evaluate a new chocolate bar/packaging • Textile skills linked to topic
 <p>Geography</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Map reading skills • Mexican festivals • Mexican cuisine • Arts and crafts
 <p>Computing</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coding <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Object Properties ○ IF/ELSE commands ○ Introducing Variables • Lego Robotics - WeDo2
 <p>P.E. & Sport</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Boys' major sport: Advent term – Rugby • Girls' major sport: Advent term – Hockey • Swimming: endurance, timed skills and stroke work. • The following activities will take place on a rotational basis in PE:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Fitness / Cross country ○ Health Related Fitness ○ Gymnastics ○ Boing Kids
 <p>Languages</p>	<p>Use the WoLLoW curriculum (World of Languages, Languages of the World) to teach the children the history, development and culture of all languages and how they have shaped our lives.</p> <p>Unit 1 – My World of Languages</p>

	<p>Use the Rachel Hawkes scheme, which highlights the three key knowledge strands phonics, vocabulary and grammar to start building confident communication in German.</p> <p>-Greetings and Classroom Routines</p>
 <p>History</p>	<p>Aztecs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to Aztecs • Daily life • Aztec Gods • End of the Aztec Empire
 <p>Music</p>	<p>Through the study of the Famous Classical works:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify instruments and explore how they work • Perform sections of music • Compose pieces of music • Experiment with the musical elements • Develop instrumental skills <p>Further develop recorder and music reading skills. Prepare for Harvest and Christingle Service.</p>
 <p>RE</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hinduism-Janmashtami-Role Models • Buddhism-Kathina-Generosity
 <p>PSHE/RSE</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Being me in my World • Celebrating Difference

Work covered by pupils in Year 4 in the Lent Term will include the following:



English

Reading

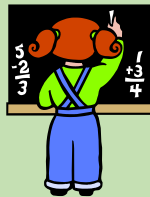
- Individual books
- Class reader - 'The Last Bear'
- Extracts from fiction and non-fiction books linked to The Frozen World topic e.g Shackleton's Journey, Ice Trap
- Comprehension Tasks

Speaking and listening

- Class discussion/group work
- Oral comprehension
- Role play interviews
- Storytelling techniques

Writing

- Handwriting
- Spellings
- Grammar – commas, dialogue/speech marks, apostrophes, verb tenses, figurative language
- Fiction – folk tale
- Non-fiction – Persuasive letter, explanatory text



Mathematics

- Weekly aural/written mental arithmetic tests
- Weekly tables tests
- Extend 4 rules of Number from the Advent Term
- Fractions – ordering; tenths
- Decimals – converting simple fractions to decimals (in tenths)
- Ordering simple decimals (up to tenths)
- Length and Perimeter – counting squares and introducing calculation method for area
- Investigations/problem solving







Science

Electricity

- Simple series and parallel circuits
- Circuit symbols and use of electrical components
- How electricity is provided to homes

Classification

- Habitats, comparing extreme environments
- How to classify animals and plants based on their features
- The key features of different groups

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use of simple keys.
 <p>Art/DT</p>	<p>Art:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Northern Light art- painting and pastel skills • Exploring Inuit artists- patterns using a variety of mixed media <p>D&T:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Design, make and evaluate a torch- make a simple circuit
 <p>Geography</p>	<p>Polar regions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Polar explorers • Ice formations and impact • Life in the Antarctic and Arctic • Climate change • Adaptations of polar animals
 <p>Computing</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coding <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Logo – control ○ Repeat command • Hardware • E-safety
 <p>P.E. & Sport</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Boys' major sport: Lent term – Hockey • Girls' major sport: Lent term – Netball • Swimming: endurance, timed skills and stroke work. • The following activities will take place on a rotational basis in PE:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Fitness / Cross country ○ Gymnastics ○ Dance ○ Invasion Games



Languages

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Unit 1 – My World of Languages cont

Unit 2 – The History of English

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- Places in Germany and England and saying where



History

Polar Explorers:

- Research the lives of Polar adventurers past and present
- Shackleton's story on The Endurance
- Brave women of the Icy Worlds



Music

Music from Around The World

- Instrumental Skills
- Identifying instruments
- Composing
- Singing
- Using Music Technology



RE

- Judaism-Shabbat-Rest
- Christianity-Holy Week-Belief



PSHE/RSE

- Dreams and Goals
- Healthy Me

Work covered by pupils in Year 4 in the Trinity Term will include the following:



English

Reading

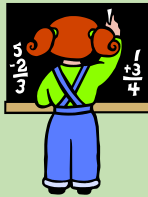
- Individual reading book
- Class reader- Kensuke's Kingdom
- Comprehension

Speaking and listening

- Class discussion/group work
- Oral comprehension

Writing

- Handwriting
- Spellings
- Grammar – prepositions, fronted adverbials, adverbs to modify verbs
- Fiction work: Adventure story writing, descriptive writing, persuasive writing
- Non-fiction: Biography



Mathematics

- Weekly aural/written mental arithmetic tests
- Weekly tables tests
- Revision of 4 rules of Number – applying this in word problems
- Decimals
- Time
- 2 and 3D Shape
- Measures
- Angles – introduce and recognize acute, right angle and obtuse angles – introduce drawing and measuring angles
- Co-ordinates – first quadrant
- Handling Data – interrogating and drawing bar charts, pictograms and line graphs
- Money
- Investigative maths/using maths vocabulary



Science

Sound and hearing

- Sound waves
- How different sounds are formed
- Pitch and volume
- The human ear

Science Investigation work

- Pupil led investigations

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning to make predictions and conclusions
 <p>Art/DT</p>	<p>Art:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Portrait work- creating a collage of a Tudor monarch • Watercolour work linked to Kensuke's Kingdom <p>D&T:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mechanical systems
 <p>Geography</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Islands around the World • History of Japan • Madagascar • The Isle of Wight
 <p>Computing</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Databases • iMovie • Green screen
 <p>P.E. & Sport</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Boys' major sport: Trinity term – Cricket & Athletics • Girls' major sport: Trinity term – Cricket & Athletics • Swimming: Endurance, timed skills and stroke work. • The following activities will take place on a rotational basis in PE:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Tennis ○ Athletics



Languages

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Unit 2 – The history of English cont
Unit 3 – Wonderful Words

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-Naming what’s in the classroom



History

- The Tudors
- Battle of Bosworth
- Henry VIII
- Tudor Homes



Music

Tudor Music

- Instruments from Tudor times
- Learning songs and instrumental music from Tudor times
- Composing music for recorder inspired by Tudor music

Recorder

Preparing for Prizegiving Performance



R.E./PSHE

RE

- Sikhism –Vaisakhi-Identity
- Islam-Eid ul-Adha-Charity



PSHE/RSE

- Work based on residential visit
- Relationships
- Changing Me

This guide provides an overall outline of work to be covered and is subject to change.