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## Autumn Term 2025 – Year 4 Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back. The children have had an excellent start to Year 4, learning the rules and routines of Key Stage 2 and engaging in learning enthusiastically. Across the year, we have planned many exciting experiences with cross-curricular links and opportunities, which we look forward to sharing with the children. Below is an overview of the different subjects across the curriculum.

### English

We will be looking at adventure stories, traditional tales and newspaper reports. We will also be learning spelling and grammar rules. Children will now be bringing home books to read, so please continue encouraging children to read at home. We encourage children to read daily in school and at home as it truly enriches their vocabulary, imagination and knowledge.

### Maths

The focus in Maths this term is number, place value and consolidating and improving our skills on the four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication & division) whilst developing our reasoning and problem solving skills. Please support your children in practising their times tables regularly on MathsShed and Rockstars Times Tables. This will build up their confidence and skills before completing the Multiplication Times Tables Check (MTC) in Summer 2.

### Science

In Autumn 1, children will study living things and their habitats. In Autumn 2, they will learn about states of matter.

### Geography/History/RE

Our topic for this term in geography is Europe, where we will learn about the culture, do some map work and compare it to other countries. In history, children will be learning about Romans. In RE, children will look at ‘Why is Jesus inspiring to some people?’ and ‘How do people from religious and nonreligious communities celebrate key festivals?’.

### Computing

Our topic is ‘The Internet’ in Autumn 1, focusing on networks, the internet and to evaluate the consequences of unreliable content. In Autumn 2, we will be studying ‘Programming - Repetition in shapes’ which builds their computational thinking skills.

### Modern Foreign Languages - Spanish

Our topic for Spanish is ‘dates in Spanish’ and ‘pets in Spanish’.



### Physical Education (PE)

We will be working on invasion games, controlling and receiving as well as on dance, creating a story. Children will have two PE lessons each week, and these will be:

- in 4 Spain on Tuesdays and Fridays
- in 4 Italy on Mondays and Wednesdays
- in 4 Denmark on Mondays and Thursdays

Please ensure your children wear the **correct P.E kit** to school on these days:

- navy blue joggers,
- a white T-shirt or polo shirt,
- black trainers or plimsolls,
- no hoodies
- **no leggings.**



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### PSHE

We will be looking at the Raynham values and our class rules as well as about family relationships, and health and well-being.

### Music

During the Autumn term, children will play music using body and tuned percussion and adapting and transposing motifs.

### Art & DT

In Art, children will develop their sketching and painting skills in painting still life and Roman mosaics; in D&T, they will explore a healthy and varied diet.

### Homework

- Children should read for at least 20 minutes at home **every day**.
- They will be provided with a reading book. Please read the book and comment in the home/school reading booklet.
- Children are expected to bring their **reading books back daily**.
- Children should also practise learning timetables on Times Tables Rock Stars, **daily**.

### Reminders

Soft start begins at **8:40 a.m.** and finishes at **3.10 p.m.** All the children should be in the classroom for the **8.50 a.m. lesson start**. Please arrive promptly so your child does not miss any part of the school day.

- Please read with your child each day.
- For your child's safety, no jewellery should be worn to school.
- Ensure your child has their name inside clothes such as jumpers, cardigans and coats.
- Children can bring in a water bottle to keep them hydrated throughout the day.

### **Parents Information Meeting - Year 4 - 16 September 2025 at 3:30pm**

This meeting will provide a valuable opportunity to hear important updates about the year ahead and connect with other parents and the staff.

Thank you for your continued support in helping our children to achieve their full potential.

Mr Basson  
4 Spain

Ms Humphreys  
4 Italy

Ms Ayton  
4 Denmark