

# YEAR 4 SUMMER NEWSLETTER

## A FEW HIGHLIGHTS FROM LAST TERM:

Red Ridge residential: What a fantastic trip we all had! All of the children were so brave and had a real “can do” attitude. So many had new experiences and all of the teachers are so proud of all the children’s achievements!

Easter production - Good News: Another reason to be proud - all of Year 4 showcased a memorable performance to the school and then to friends and family. We have some great actors and performers in the making!



## Military Activity Days (MAD) Experience

### Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July:

The children will compete in various military style team building sessions and learn about positivity and a “can do” attitude. They will need to come in wearing their PE kit and bring a packed lunch/order a packed lunch from school as if the weather is good we will eat our lunch on the field.

### Year 4 Government Multiplication Test:

The children will complete a times table check on Ipads during June. They will answer 25 questions that cover all times tables up to 12 X 12 with 6 seconds to answer each question. Please encourage the children to continue to practice.

### Healthy Eating:

As a healthy eating school, please can we remind you that children should bring fruit or veg to eat at break. Also, please provide a water bottle to help keep your child hydrated and this will support focus and concentration.



### Parental Engagement - Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June, 2:15pm:

Year 4 will be leading a French Day Cafe for the day and inviting other classes to enjoy some delicious French food! From 2:15pm we will invite parents/carers to experience the cafe in the hall and be served (using their language skills!) by the children.



# SPECIAL DATES AND REMINDERS

Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	Maya Day with Dr Diane Davies (Maya archaeologist)
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>BANK HOLIDAY</b>
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>HALF TERM</b>
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	Priory visit - 900th birthday celebration
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Wear What You Like
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4 Sports Day - 9:15am
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	French Day and French parental engagement from 2:15pm
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	School Fete and Carnival
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of summer term

## FOREST SCHOOL DATES



- 4C: Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May
- 4S: Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> May
- 4T: Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May

## PE days

- 4S - Friday
- 4T - Thursday
- 4C - Wednesday

• Year 4 will also have another PE slot to use outside (weather permitting). 4S: Thursday 4T: Friday 4C: Monday



## English

This half term we will be focusing on using speech to convey character. We will be using a text called 'The Egyptian Cinderella'. Children will be writing their own story using the basis of the original text.

## PE

This term, we will be focusing on gymnastics for our indoor sessions. We will also have an outside focus on OAA. Later in the term, we will also have an Athletics focus.

## Music

Year 4 will be continuing with their recorder practice. They have learned the basics, focusing on notes B, A and G, and they will now be moving on to D and F and using them with improving fluency.

## Maths

This half term, Year 4 will be continuing with their Fractions work and moving on to Decimals after that. Children will learn to identify and work with equivalent fractions, add and subtract fractions with the same denominator and start to explore the connection between fractions and decimals. Within decimals, children will learn about tenths and hundredths. They will learn to compare decimals with the same number of decimal places and find the effect of dividing by 10 and 100.

## Art

Our Art this term will be linked closely to our History topic - The Maya. We will be learning about Maya artwork and then recreating our own work using sketching, pointillism techniques and sculpture.

## RE

This term we will firstly be looking at Christianity and focusing on the Pentecost and then children will be looking at religion as a whole and the idea that some people believe that life is a journey.

## Topic

Our topic will be the Maya in the summer term. We will start with a Maya Day where we will have a day of Maya activities. This will also involve a live Q&A with Dr Diane Davies who is a Maya archaeologist. Children will get the opportunity to ask her questions about her job and what it is like to be a real archaeologist.

## Science

This term, we will be continuing with our Electricity topic and then we will focus on Living Things and Their Habitats. This will involve learning how to classify living things, including vertebrates and invertebrates. Children will also learn how environmental changes can affect living things.

## PSHE

Our focus this term will be 'Life in Plastic'. This unit will give an overview of how we can look after ourselves and our environment.

## Computing

This term we will be focusing on coding and children will use Purple Mash to create code.

## French

This term we will be focusing on two topics. Firstly, we will be learning about phrases and vocabulary we can use in the classroom and then we will also be looking at French used when in a café.

# Year 4 Summer Term