

# Year 4 Curriculum Letter - Spring 2024

## Happy New Year!

We hope you had a wonderful winter break with your child. We are excited for the term's forthcoming events and the new learning that the children will acquire. This newsletter will provide you with information on the half term ahead. If you have any further queries, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Best wishes,  
The Year 4 team

**Supernova class - Miss Rosie Hall, Miss Khaleda Ahmed and Miss Bernice Addae**  
**Galaxy Class - Ms Amina Rahman, Miss Khaleda Ahmed and Miss Daniella Wellington Pearson**

### Topic (History/ Geography)

Our new topic will be focusing on the Tudors. The children will be learning how the Tudors came to power, the Wars of the Roses (in particular the Battle of Bosworth), Tudor cries and punishment and discussing the question – is Henry VIII a leader we should remember?

### English

This term in English we will begin by focusing on the story 'Frindleswyld' and 'Winter's Child'. The children will be writing setting and character descriptions; writing dialogue and planning and creating their own versions of a story. In addition, they will be learning more about different word classes and how to use different punctuation marks.

### Maths

Our first focus of the year will be on multiplication/division and length/perimeter. This will include developing and consolidating their times table knowledge and learning further times tables; solving multiplication and division problems; learning how to measure accurately using cm and m; and making comparisons. They will develop their reasoning skills by solving word problems. **Please continue to support your child at home by helping them to practice their maths facts and times tables as well as completing Mathletics tasks set.**

### Science

Our first topic is Electricity. The children will be investigating different sources of electricity, how to create an electrical circuit and which materials conduct electricity well.

### Music

This year the children will be learning about different rhythms, how to group different orchestral instruments, different musical terms and how to improvise and perform a piece of music in a small group.

### Reading

The children will continue to develop key skills such as predicting, making inferences, summarising and clarifying through the use of key texts such as 'Tamarind and the Star of Ishta'. **Please remember to hear your child read regularly and to sign their reading record.**

### PE

Our lessons will take place on Monday and Wednesday. Please make sure PE kits are bought in on these days. Our PE focus this term will be focusing on developing problem solving skills and tag rugby.

### PSHE

The children will focus on the theme of 'Dreams and goals'. They will be learning about how to stay motivated even when something is challenging, working well within a team and reflecting on their own goals.

### RE

Our focus this term is 'Religions in our neighbourhood'. The children will be looking at places of worship within our local area and London.

### Spanish

The children will focus on learning greetings, numbers to 20, family members and colours.

### **Rough daily timetable:**

9:00-9:30 Reading  
9:30-10:40 English  
BREAK  
11:00-12:15 Maths  
12:15-12:30 Assembly/Handwriting  
LUNCH  
1:30-2:30  
Topic/Science/Computing/P.E/Art/PSHE  
2:30-3:20  
Topic/Science/Computing/P.E/Art/PSHE

### **Dates for the diary:**

27<sup>th</sup> Jan - Holocaust Memorial day  
30 Jan - 6<sup>th</sup> Feb - Storytelling week  
2<sup>nd</sup> Feb - Number day  
WB 5<sup>th</sup> Feb - Mental Health week  
6<sup>th</sup> Feb - Safer internet day  
7<sup>th</sup> Feb - Chinese New Year  
\* End of Spring 1 Term - Topic homework due  
9<sup>th</sup> Feb - Tutorial day - School closed  
February half term - WB 12<sup>th</sup> Feb  
PE days: Supernova Mondays and Wednesdays.  
Galaxy: Mondays and Fridays.