

Year 4

Autumn Term 2026



Literacy: Literacy texts this term will be a range of picture books; 'Farther' by Grahame Baker-Smith, 'The Invisible' by Tom Percival, 'The Journey' by Francesca Sanna and 'Escape from Pompeii' by Christina Ballit. There will also be a focus on Poetry. Writing will include a variety of genres including: narrative, character study, non-chronological report, poetry, recount and diary. The children will be exposed to a variety of texts and will work to develop their reading comprehension and grammar skills. Handwriting will also be developed, with a focus on correct posture, pencil grip, letter formation, joins and pace.

Numeracy: This term the children will be consolidating and embedding skills learnt in Year 3, as well as improving and extending their learning. The areas studied will include: place value of numbers to 10000, addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, as well as continuing to learn times tables and their division facts. Our work on measures will focus on length and perimeter. By the end of Year 4, the children should know all of the multiplication facts, so we will be focusing on this in skills time as well as across most maths lessons.

Art, DT and Science: In Science, the children will learn about 'Animals, including humans', focusing on the digestive system, teeth and food chains, and 'States of Matter'; properties of solids, liquids and gases, melting, freezing, evaporation and the water cycle. Art lessons will involve using clay to make Roman pottery, and using printing techniques to create a repeated pattern. In DT, children will work in groups to make bread based on a Roman recipe and also use household packaging to create a working aqueduct.

History & Geography: During our study of the 'Romans' topic the children will learn about the history of the Roman invasion, in particular, the efforts of the Emperor Claudius, the impact of Boudicca and the creation of Hadrian's wall. The children will learn how volcanoes are formed and about major eruptions that have occurred. They will investigate earthquakes and understand how the earth and people are affected.

Discrete Curriculum R.E: This term the children will be focusing on the core concept of 'Living Well' where they will consider peace and reconciliation, alongside the beliefs in Judaism and Hinduism. The children will also learn about Harvest and perform a Harvest Festival Assembly.

PSHE: Zones of Regulation, British Values and Protective behaviours will be taught.

PE: Indoor PE – Dance Outdoor – Invasion games – tag rugby and netball.

Year 4 Outdoor Games lessons will take place on a Wednesday and indoor PE will be taken on the following days:

Indoor PE: Class 4 Thursday Class 5 Monday Class 6 Tuesday

Children can come to school in their PE kits on their PE days.

Music: Singing, performing and composition will be taught through the Kapow unit – The Romans, and the Harvest Assembly.

French: Numbers, greetings and the vocabulary for animals and pets.

ICT: Online safety, understanding plagiarism, the influence of technology on health and the environment are the main themes taught. ICT will also be used for research, displaying learning and the use of educational sites like Purple Mash.

Home Learning including Reading books: will be set each **Friday** and should be returned by the following **Wednesday**. Home Learning will be set each week in a CGP Workbook.

Numeracy will consist of: Consolidation of work that has been covered in lessons as well as a **HUGE FOCUS ON TIMES TABLES**. Year 4 children will sit a Times Table assessment in the Summer Term.

Literacy will consist of: Reading comprehension, grammar, punctuation and spelling. Please support your child to **read at least 3x a week**. Reading books can be changed and records will be checked and updated. Please send them in each week even if the book doesn't need changing. Children can also read their own books or others books from school alongside their class reader.

How parents can help: Encourage regular reading (x3 per week signed by an adult please) and practise of times tables. Support children in order to hand Home Learning in on time. If your child needs support with their home learning please ask them to speak to their teacher at the beginning of the week.

Diary dates:

Wednesday 16 th Sept - Friends of Chetwynd AGM - 7:30pm (Venue – Whitestone Pub)	Friday 23 rd Oct – INSET DAY
Monday 28 th Sept - MFL Day	Monday 26 th -30 th Oct - Half-term
Wednesday 30 th Sept – Flu Vaccinations	Monday 2 nd Nov – Children back to school
Monday 5 th Oct – Year 5 Boreatton Park Parent Meeting 5pm	Monday 16 th Nov – Odd Socks Day & Anti-bullying Monday 16 th Nov – Show and Share 3:30pm
Wb Monday 12 th Oct – Harvest Collection Week	Friday 20 th Nov – Children in Need (Non-school uniform)
Wed 14 th & Thurs 15 th Oct – Parents Evenings 4-7pm	Monday 23 rd Nov – MFL Day
Wb Monday 19 th Oct – Arts Week	Wednesday 25 th Nov – Art Pop UP Shop
Thursday 22 nd Oct – Spooky Disco 6:30-7:30pm	Wb Monday 30 th Nov – Assessment Week