

# Summer Term 2024



Welcome to the start of the summer term!  
We hope you have had an enjoyable and restful Easter break.

If you have any questions, please contact the class teacher using their class email, which will be replied to within 2 working days.

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If you have any questions and need information for that day, please leave a message with the office.

## PE Kit

PE lessons are on **Mondays** and **Fridays** for both classes.

Children will need to come to school in their PE kits on the day they have PE. They will wear their kit for the whole day.

**Warm weather**—green shorts, white t-shirt and trainers

**Cold weather**—green shorts, white t-shirt, trainers and a green tracksuit

## PSHE

Focus this term:

Unit 1: Relationships (focussing on the emotional aspects of relationships and friendships)

Unit 2: Changing me (bodily changes—an additional letter will be sent out with further information on these lessons)

## National Assessments

All Year 4 children will complete their multiplication check between **4th and 14th June**. We have a 2 week period to complete the assessments in and they will be completed in small groups. Please continue to practise all times tables at home up to 12x12 so the children have a quick recall with this. If your child will be off school during this time, please let the class teacher know **asap**.

## Maths

Our maths lessons this term will focus on the following areas:

Number, shape, statistics and time.

## Home Learning YEAR 4

Children are expected to read to an adult for 10 minutes at least 3 times a week in order to help them improve their decoding, increase their vocabulary and deepen their understanding of the text. If your child is a fluent reader, please talk to them about the vocabulary and check their understanding of the text. Please sign in their reading record. If your child has lost or misplaced their reading record, please let us know as soon as possible.

Spellings, based on the 'Read, write, inc' spelling scheme, are set on a weekly basis.

Maths Key Instant Recall Fact (KIRFS) for the half term should be practised as much as possible so it becomes fluent. See weekly home learning for details.

Times Tables up to 12 x 12 should be practised on a weekly basis using Timetables Rockstars. Teachers will advise on the times tables to be practised.

Maths or English tasks are uploaded to Google Classroom on a Friday and need to be completed and returned by the following Wednesday. Home learning tasks must be completed in home learning books. Sometimes, a topic based task will be sent home instead of English. These tasks should take approximately 30 minutes.

## Reading KS2

In class, we will be reading a range of texts, including 'How to train your dragon' which is linked to our Vikings topic. Please ensure your child's reading record is in school daily so they can be used for communication about reading progress.

All children are expected to have a book in class. They may use school library books or bring in an age appropriate book from home. If you are interested in helping to listen to individual readers, please contact the office.

## Important Dates

|                       |                                    |
|-----------------------|------------------------------------|
| <b>6th May</b>        | <b>Bank Holiday Monday</b>         |
| 9th May               | Yr 4 music concert pm              |
| 17th May              | Year 4 Viking day                  |
| WB 20th               | Neurodiversity week                |
| <b>27th –31st May</b> | <b>Half Term</b>                   |
| <b>3rd June</b>       | <b>INSET DAY</b>                   |
| 4th -14th June        | Yr 4 multiplication assessments    |
| Sat 8th June          | Summer Fayre                       |
| 21st June             | Stansted Mountfichet Castle trip   |
| 5th July              | Sports Day and Colour run          |
| 2nd July              | Yr 5/6 performance                 |
| Wb 8th July           | History week                       |
| Mon 8th July          | History with Parents /work sharing |
| 11th July             | Move up day                        |
| 16th July             | Take over day                      |
| 19th July             | Break the rules day                |
| 19th July             | End of term –2pm                   |
| 2nd and 3rd Sept      | INSET days                         |
| 4th Sept              | First day of school year           |



## Trips this Term

**Friday 17th May**—Viking Day (in School)

**Friday 21st June 2024**—Stansted Mountfichet Castle

## Our Topic

We have very exciting history topics in this term!

### Traders and Raiders

In this topic, our history lessons will focus on learning about the Vikings and what they were famous for. In design and technology, we will be designing and making a money container (purse) and will learn how to sew this together effectively. Our science unit is called 'Animals including humans' and this focuses on finding out about the digestive system as well as learning about human teeth.

### 1066

Our history focus moves to learning about the Normans and the events from The Battle of Hastings. In art, we will investigate different drawing techniques and will work to create a side profile portrait drawing. Our science focuses on sound where we learn how sound is made, how sound travels and how we hear different vibrations.