

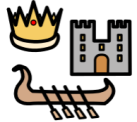










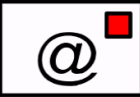




	<p>Teacher's Message</p>	<p>Hello to all of the lovely parents and carers of the children in Class 4!</p> <p>Please read on to find out all about the new and exciting learning we will be immersing ourselves into this half term.</p>
	<p>Homework</p>	<p><u>Set on Google Classroom:</u> <u>Spellings:</u> Weekly spellings are set on Spelling Shed each Friday. Each week, the children receive a list of 10 words which will focus on practising new spelling rules.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Weekly spelling tests take place on Fridays. → Please make sure children are practising spellings daily where possible. <p><u>Maths:</u> IXL activities linking to our classroom learning. Please also practise times tables for the MTC using 'The Maths Factor Times Table Check' and TTRockstars.</p> <p><u>English/Reading:</u> An English based task linked to the weekly spellings will be set. Children should also bring home their AR books from school and try to read daily for at least 5 minutes. They can then quiz on these in school.</p> <p>Homework will continue to be set on Google Classroom on a Friday after school and be due the following Friday.</p>
	<p>Reading for Pleasure</p>	<p>To begin this half term, we will be finishing off reading 'There's a Werewolf in my Tent!' We are really enjoying reading about Izzy and her friends as they set out on a school camping trip which is not all that it seems. There is a suspicious new PE teacher, which the children in the class have inferred may be the werewolf in the title of the book! There are lots of twists and turns on this unusual but exciting school trip!</p>
	<p>Reading</p>	<p>Our reading lessons this half term will begin with a focus on poetry! We will be reading one of Roald Dahl's Revolting Rhymes: Jack and the Beanstalk. We are excited to read this funny tale that Dahl has reinvented in a comical way. We will be practising our VIPERS skills as we read and immerse ourselves in this text.</p>
	<p>Writing</p>	<p>Our current English unit is an explanation text with a twist. We are learning a text called 'The Shirt Machine'. We have been practising our oral rehearsal of this text, adding actions and remembering some tricky vocabulary. We are going to be innovating this text with our own ideas whilst learning how we can write an informative and interesting explanation text with a narrative weaved throughout. We look forward to sharing some of our finished pieces with you!</p>
	<p>Maths</p>	<p>In our maths lessons this half term, we are learning about fractions! So far, we have been learning about tenths and hundredths. We will also be learning about equivalent fractions, fractions of amounts and adding and subtracting fractions with the same denominator. As we approach the times table check (June), we also continue with our fluency practice to help us increase our speed!</p>

	<p>RE</p>	<p>In RE this half term, we began by concluding our learning on Eucharist and have moved on to learning about Lent and Easter. We have had some special liturgies so far this half term, with St David's Day as we returned to school and Ash Wednesday to mark the beginning of Lent. We will also be visiting OLSP Church in Teignmouth next week to attend Mass with Father Mark.</p>
	<p>Science</p>	<p>This half term in Science we are learning all about 'sound'. The children will learn about how vibrations cause sounds and how sounds travel, as well as how sounds can change pitch and loudness. The children will learn about how sounds are made in a hands-on and fun way in order for them to really experience sounds and their properties. The children will be developing their ability to pose their own scientific questions and use different types of enquiries to answer them.</p>
	<p>History</p>	<p>In History, we are learning about Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age. We will learn about how stone age people hunted for their food and what they ate. Discover some differences between the stone age, bronze age and iron ages. We will also find out what people learnt from stone age paintings. The children will identify the links between different factors during these times. Along with sequencing events and discussing why these are important.</p>
	<p>Geography</p>	<p>Not a lead subject this half term.</p>
	<p>Art</p>	<p>Not a lead subject this half term.</p>
	<p>Design Technology</p>	<p>In DT this half term, we are learning about textiles! We will be learning different stitches such as the simple running stitch and linked back stitch, then moving onto edging stitches like the over stitch and blanket stitch. We will be building up our skills in order to create a Stone Age Pouch linked to our history learning this half term. We can't wait to get started on learning these new skills!</p>
	<p>RSHE</p>	<p>In RSHE we are moving onto 'Life to the Full' Unit 3 – Keeping Safe which incorporates some of the excellent NSPCC 'Share Aware' resources, as well as teaching on bullying and physical, emotional and sexual abuse through a series of animated stories. Through the animated expert Dr Datfa, children will also learn in greater depth about the effects of drugs, alcohol and tobacco and how to make good choices concerning these as they get older. The final session of the Module explores in more detail what to do in emergency situations. These issues are all delivered at an age-appropriate level.</p>
	<p>PE</p>	<p>In PE we are going to be learning about Golf and Tennis. The children were excited to try Golf as this is a new sport to the school. They had fun getting used to the new equipment and having a go. We are also excited to begin our tennis learning this week and explore some new skills and game play with our all new rackets and nets!</p>

	Music	Children will take part in music lessons on a Monday afternoon during PPA.
	MFL (Y3+)	Not a lead subject this half term.
	Computing	This half term, we will be learning all about Data handling: Investigating weather. We will be researching and storing data using spreadsheets; designing a weather station that gathers and records data; learning how weather forecasts are made and trying to use green screen technology to present a weather forecast.
	Forest School	Not a lead subject this half term.
	Upcoming dates/events	<p>PE Days are now Mondays and Wednesdays.</p> <p>Monday 14th & Wednesday 16th March - Parent/Carer Consultation Evenings.</p> <p>Monday 14th March - Children attend Mass at OLSP Church in Teignmouth (during school hours) - linked to our 'Walk for Hunger' for CAFOD.</p> <p>Thursday 17th March - St Patrick's Day (children in this house to come to school wearing green and will have a special table for their lunches with their house family and take part in an afternoon of themed activities).</p> <p>Friday 18th March - Comic Relief</p> <p>Friday 8th April Last Day of Spring Term</p> <p>3rd-5th May CAP Workshop</p> <p>June - Multiplication Tables Check <i>(Please make sure you are practising with your child at home).</i></p>
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