

Important Events

11th September 3:20 – Meet the Teacher

27th September – Poet Visit – Neal Zetter

1st October – Black History Month

3rd October – National Poetry Day

16th October – Parents Evening 13:40-19:00 (Children finish -13:30)

18th October – Mexico Class Assembly

21st-25th October – Half Term

28th October – Staff Inset Day

29th October – Children return to school

8th November – Nicaragua Class Assembly

School Trip - TBC



Year Four Autumn 1 Term Curriculum Newsletter Nicaragua and Mexico

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted to welcome you all to Year 4 and look forward to the year ahead. We would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who completed the summer homework and we are currently displaying all of the amazing Viking projects.

The children have enjoyed their first week and we are pleased with the level of commitment and enthusiasm that the children are showing towards their learning. Well done to the children who have already received a star of the week certificate, gold and silver stickers.

Should you have any concerns or wish to talk about your child's progress, please feel free to speak to us.

Miss Ashby and Miss Calixte
Year 4 Teachers

Homework

English and Maths homework will be sent out every **FRIDAY**. Children should bring their completed homework in on **WEDNESDAY**.

Spellings will be sent out on **FRIDAY** and tested on the following **FRIDAY**.

Home reading journals need to be completed daily and brought into school every day.

This term the children will be learning netball and Dance. Nicaragua class will have PE on **WEDNESDAY** and **FRIDAY** and Mexico class will have PE on **WEDNESDAY** and **THURSDAY**.

Children must bring their complete PE kit every **MONDAY**.

As writers, we will be creating narrative descriptions based around the Vikings and the main text of 'Beowulf'. We are discussing myths and legends and will be using a range of narrative techniques.

As mathematicians, our focus will be on developing our core number skills up to 10 000. Finding 1000 more or less, round numbers to nearest 10, 100 or 1000, order and compare numbers beyond 1000. We will be adding and subtracting up to 4-digit numbers using concrete resources and the column method.

As scientists, we are going to work scientifically and use the scientific method to conduct experiments. We will create questions, hypothesise, experiment, observe and record our conclusions.

PSHCE

This half term we are exploring Relationships and Rights of the child.

RE

We will be focusing on Hinduism this half term. What do Hindu people believe about Dharma, Deity and Atman?

Art

In art this half term, we will be exploring a range of drawing techniques using a variety of tones and textures. We will also explore Viking patterns.

Music

In music, we will be learning about classical music and compositions. We will be using musical terminology and recording our own ideas.

English

Narratives, stories with historical settings

Maths

Place value T^h H^t O, adding and subtracting four-digit numbers and fractions

Science

Sound

Computing

We will focus on internet safety and coding.

Spanish

We will continue to practise conversational Spanish and learn about Spanish culture.

History and Geography

The Vikings

Physical Development

Netball and dancing

As athletes, we will be practising netball skills, including attacking and defending. We will learn a variety of dance moves and routines.

As historians, we will learn about life in the Viking era. We will explore the Viking invasions and settlement in Britain. We will use the internet, books and other resources to research their influence on British culture.

