

Homework:

Homework will be assigned on Google Classroom on a Friday and due back on Wednesday. Answers will be posted on Wednesday so the children can self-evaluate. It will be tracked and checked by the class teacher every week. If children do not complete the compulsory homework they will be asked to attend Homework Club to complete the work.

Compulsory Weekly homework will include:

Reading: Your child should be reading 15 minutes **every** evening using their Accelerated Reader book from the school library.

Our Google Homework will comprise of small SPAG, Maths and Reading tasks.

These will include learning that was missed in Year 3 and new Year 4 learning, therefore it is really important that children complete this.

As we have the statutory times tables test this year, we will also be having a big drive on times tables. The children should therefore be logging onto the 'Time Tables Rocks!' website/app at home and completing the games and activities to support their learning and prepare them for the statutory test this year.

ENRICHMENT PROJECT: The children will be given a half termly optional Enrichment Homework Project to complete at home linked to our learning in class. An outline of the project will be given to each child at the start of each half term with a schedule of what to complete and when. At the end of the half term we will hold an exhibition of these projects for all parents to come and see in the classrooms. Children will be rewarded for their efforts.

We also have optional homework based on the week's learning if your child would like extra Maths homework or has found the learning tricky.

Further Suggested reading:

These books are all suitable for Year 4 children and will really benefit their writing.

- The Magic of Finkleton by K.C. Hilton
- Charlotte's Web by E.B. White
- Nate Rocks the World (Nate Rocks, #1) by Karen Pokras Toz
- Culloo by Murielle Cyr
- The Secret Garden by Frances Hodgson Burnett
- Matilda by Roald Dahl
- Diary of a Wimpy Kid (Diary of a Wimpy Kid, #1) by Jeff Kinney
- Peter Nimble and His Fantastic Eyes by Jonathan Auxier
- Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing by Judy Blume
- The School Story by Andrew Clements
- Noah Zarc: Mammoth Trouble by D. Robert Pease
- Wonder Wonder by R.J. Palacio

Useful websites

<http://www.storylineonline.net/>

<http://readtomelv.com/>

<http://wegivebooks.org/>

<http://starfall.com/>

<http://www.barnesandnoble.com/u/online-storytime-books-toys/379003588/>

<http://en.childrenslibrary.org/>



Oak Hill Academy West London
an Aspirations Academy

Year 4

Parent Information Leaflet



Welcome to Year 4

We hope this leaflet will answer all your questions about Year 4 and the coming year ahead.

Meet The Year 4 Team:

Our partnership with you is really important to us. Year 4 teachers are outside on the playground at the end of each day and appointments can be made at the office or via our e mail addresses, if you need to speak to us. In a bid to save the environment, we send all our letters via email. These include: Weekly Email Summary (a round-up of the week, celebrations and the week ahead), Half-termly Newsletters and any trip letters. Please make sure the school has your email address.

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The School Day:

School starts at 8.50am (Tuesday – Friday- children can come in from 8.40am).

Year 4 will be coming in through the main reception.

Year 4 Lunch is from 11.45pm – 12:35pm.

School finishes at 3.15pm and children will be let out the main reception door.

Curriculum:

At our school, we follow an Aspirations curriculum based on the 3 Guiding Principles and 8 Conditions. Our themes for the year are Belonging, Heroes, Sense of Accomplishment, Spirit of Adventure, Confidence to Take Action, Fun and Excitement, Curiosity and Creativity, and Leadership and Responsibility. These will be taught through a specific subject focus each half term.

Trips:

Due to the current situation- all trips and visits are on hold. If anything changes, we will let you know as soon as we know!

Specialism Day:

Specialism day in Year 4 is on a Tuesday all year. The children need to come into school in their Oak Hill PE kits.

Writing:

During Year 4, children write for a variety of purposes and audiences. Through shared and modelled writing, they are taught skills that enable them to improve the craft of writing and are encouraged to draft and revise work with a partner or the teacher. Children will also be taught specific spelling lessons in the afternoons, through which a fully cursive, joined handwriting style will be taught.

Reading:

During the course of the year we will read a selection of texts including: 'The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe' by C.S. Lewis and 'Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone,' by J.K. Rowling.

In addition to this, children will continue to read at home using Accelerated Reader books, which they will get from the school library at their reading level.

Maths

We will be continuing to follow Mathematics Mastery in Year 4. Over the course of the year the children will cover number and place value, addition and subtraction, multiplication and division, fractions (including decimals), measurement, properties of shape, position and direction and statistics.

Science

Our Science Curriculum this year will involve children learning about the following topics: Living Things and their Habitats, The Human Body, States of Matter, Sound and Electricity. We will also be developing our investigation skills throughout the year.

Physical Education

Children will be learning and practising a wide variety of sports skills and embedding these skills through different team and individual games. During Specialism days they also have a P.E session.

Children need to come to school in their PE kits- they do not need to bring their school uniform.

Humanities

During our cross curricular projects, children will discover new things about Europe in Geography and later on in the year we will learn about the Water Cycle. In History, we will be exploring and investigating Ancient Greeks and Romans- looking at their influence in Great Britain.

Aspirations Ambassadors and Eco-Warriors:

This year we will continue to run our popular School Parliament-a fun and exciting opportunity to develop leadership and responsibility. Children who are elected for this will take part in weekly meetings and contribute to the running of the school. Following on from last year, Environment Ambassadors will continue to keep our school looking beautiful and care for the environment including the school's Bio-Dome.