



# Year 4

Spring Term 2026

Happy New Year! We hope you all had a lovely break and are eager to get back to school.

### Reminders

Please ensure your child has the following with them in school every day:

- Water bottle
- Reading Record
- Pencil case (pencil, blue/black handwriting pen, ruler, rubber, highlighter pen, some colouring pencils) which can fit in their tray.

### P.E.

P.E will be two sessions a week - one indoor and one outdoor. Please pack appropriate clothing for the cold weather. We will be swimming for the whole of the Spring term.

4V – Tuesday (swimming) and Friday  
4C – Tuesday and Friday (swimming)  
4SP – Tuesday (swimming) and Friday

### Home Learning

**English** – given out on **Thursday** and due in on **Tuesday**. This will practise grammar and punctuation skills taught at school and are to be completed on Doodle Learning.

**Spellings** - given out on **Thursday** and due in on the following **Thursday**. This will be set on Doodle Learning.

**Mathematics** – given out on **Thursday** and due in on **Tuesday**. This will be set on Doodle Learning.

**Reading** - The children must read at least 3 times a week, out loud, at home to an adult (but should read every day). When you listen to them read, please add a comment. We encourage your child to also read to themselves and note down what they have enjoyed about their current text, words that interested or confused them and/or a brief summary of the piece they have read. Reading records to be handed in on **Thursday**.

Mathematics	<p>Multiplication and Division</p> <p>Fractions</p> <p>Decimals</p> <p>Length and Perimeter</p>	<p>In maths, we are continuing to build the children's skills alongside their mathematical thinking. The children are taught through the use of concrete materials and the mastery approach.</p> <p>The development of speedy mental maths skills remains a priority. All children should be regularly practising their times so that they achieve quick recall in all times tables (up to 12x12) by the end of the year.</p>
English	<p>Poetry</p> <p>Play script</p> <p>Information text</p>	<p>The children will be developing their ability to write by immersing themselves in our text type, learning and practising key skills, writing their own version in the style of the works studied and then publishing their work.</p> <p>Improving accuracy of spelling and punctuation will continue to be an important focus; regular practice in your child's Home Learning will be a key part of this.</p>
Book study	<p>'Colossal Words for Kids' by Colette Hiller</p> <p>'The Ancient Egypt Sleepover' by Stephen Davies</p> <p>'Charlotte's Web' by EB White</p> <p>We would like the children to discover this book as the lessons unfold so please do not read this text at home.</p>	<p>We will be using these text as a basis for our work in Guided Reading and English. This will give the children opportunity to develop their inference and comprehension skills as well as developing their writing.</p>
Topic	<p><b>Ancient Egypt</b></p> <p><i>How did the Ancient Egyptians create a lasting civilisation?</i></p> <p><b>States of Matter</b></p>	<p>In Topic, we will be studying the early civilisation of Ancient Egypt. We will be exploring the question: How did the Ancient Egyptians create a lasting civilisation? Pupils will present their research and findings from source study at the end of the term.</p> <p>In Science, we will be learning about states of matter. We will be carrying out enquiries to observe what happens to different materials over time.</p>
<p>Thank you for your continued support.</p> <p><b>The Year 4 team:</b>  <b>Teachers:</b> Miss Strong, Mrs Parry, Miss Villar and Mr Carter.  <b>Teaching assistants:</b> Mrs Down, Mrs Thompson, Mr Kermack, Mrs Maqsood, Miss Alderman, Ms Mayer and Mrs Rehman.  <b>PPA teacher:</b> We welcome back Mrs Perkins who is returning from maternity leave. She will be taking over from Mrs Joyce from 28<sup>th</sup> January 2026.</p>		