

PE will be on a <u>Thursday</u> where the children will be practicing Tag rugby and Football.

Please make sure that your child comes to school every Thursday dressed in their PE kit as there will not be an opportunity to change.

Please also ensure that your child has a reusable water bottle with them everyday that they can refill this at school.

Our Religious Education this Half Term

Symbols - We will learn what symbols are, what their religious meanings and significances are, what's the importance of bread and wine in Christianity and what symbols may children have in their lives and what their significances are.



How can you help at home?

<u>**Reading**</u> - Please take time to read with your child at home as much as you can. We expect them to read at least 3 times each week at home which should be recorded in their reading log. This will be checked every Friday.

<u>Maths</u> - Times tables - our aim is for all children to receive all of their times tables badges by the end of Year Four up to x12. We also have to undertake the Year 4 multiplication check in June 2021. See if you can practise at home. Play with money - sort, count, add, subtract, play shops - every little helps!

<u>Spelling</u> – The children have a dedicated year 3/4 spelling list that they should know by the end of the year. Why don't you see how many you know already?

Dates for your Diary

Mon 12th April 2021 - First day of Summer Term. Mon 3rd May 2021 - BANK HOLIDAY - School closed to all pupils. Wed 12th May 2021 - Trip to Parkhurst Forest - Survival skills workshops. Mon 31st May - Fri 4th June 2021 - HALF TERM.

<u>Monday 21st June 2021</u> - DEVELOPMENT DAY. <u>Thurs 22nd July 2021</u> - Early closing. Friday 23rd July 2021 - DEVELOPMENT DAY. The MORE that you READ, the you will KNOW. The MORe that you Learn, the more places you'll GO.













Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back!

We do hope that you have had a restful Easter break and that your batteries are recharged! This half term there will be full of more exciting opportunities to continue to extend and deepen children's learning. If you have any questions or queries please leave a message with our lovely office team who will pass it on. We will be travelling to the other side of the world in our Geography studies - we will learn all about Australia!! How is that Island different to the Isle of Wight? How is it the same! We will find out....

With thanks, the Year 4 Team.

Parent Information Leaflet



'Striving for Excellence'

Year 4 - Summer Term 1 2021 - Australia

Important facts to know by the end of this topic - How does Australia compare to the Isle of Wight?

Australia is an island which is a continent as well as a country



- The seasons are opposite than the UK due to it being in the Southern Hemisphere
- It has several climates, biomes and time zones
- It's home to several creatures that can only be found in Australia
- It has links with the Isle of Wight through Phillip Island
- Its indigenous people are called aborigines
- The largest city is Perth how does it compare with Newport?

Our English this half term!

We are going to study Michael Morpurgo's Kensuke's Kingdom, a fantastic adventure story full of twists and turns and surprises! Through this story children will write in the genres of recounts and explanations in great detail.

At home you could: - listen to the story on YouTube and discuss it as it goes on.

- plan a round the world journey for yourselves where would you go, how would you get there and would you live there permanently?
- Read up about orang-utans and their plight can you create a poster to encourage people to be more environmentally friendly?



<u>Key Skills</u>

- To be bale to locate the Tropic of Cancer and Capricorn
- Source annlysis
 To find and understand

 geographical
 differences

 between
 Australia

 Wight
- To explain why people may be attracted to live in one place rather than another
- To find out about the climate zones of Australia
- To name areas of origin of the main ethnic groups in Australia and the UK.

Key Vocabulary

Island - An *island* or *isle* is any piece of subcontinental land that is surrounded by water.

 $\underline{\textbf{Continent}}$ - any of the world's main continuous expanses of land.

<u>Settlement</u> - a place, typically one which has previously been uninhabited, where people establish a community.

<u>Village</u> - a group of houses and associated buildings, larger than a hamlet and smaller than a town, situated in a rural area.

 $\underline{\text{Town}}$ - a built-up area with a name, defined boundaries, and local government, that is larger than a village and generally smaller than a city.

<u>City</u> - a large town.

reasoning.

Tropic of Cancer and Capricorn - The Tropic of Cancer, which is also referred to as the Northern Tropic, is the most northerly circle of latitude on Earth at which the Sun can be directly overhead.

Our Mathematics this half term!

We are going to use our knowledge and understanding of fractions and apply it in the context of decimal numbers. We will learn about how decimal numbers arise and the place value in decimal numbers. They will then compare and order them, dividing one and 2 digit numbers to get decimals ones and apply these skills in problem solving and

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