

## Year 4 Summer 1 Curriculum Newsletter 2021



<b>Reading</b>	We will be working on our VIPERS skills, focussing on summarising and retrieval. In class, we will be reading a text called 'Iron Man' by Ted Hughes.
<b>Writing</b>	Our class text is called Weslandia and is a Change Tale in which the character starts off feeling sad and lonely and then becomes happy because they create their own land! We will be looking at showing and not telling a character's emotions, and using paragraphs correctly.
<b>Spelling and handwriting</b>	There will be a different spelling pattern to learn each week in addition to our statutory Y3/4 vocabulary. In our handwriting we will be refining our joined style ensuring our diagonal joins are correct and letters are well formed with a consistent size.
<b>Grammar</b>	We will revisit how to correctly use paragraphs.
<b>Maths</b>	We will continue with our topic of decimals, applying this to money. We will then move onto telling the time.
<b>Science</b>	Our new Science unit is all about Sound. We will look at how we hear sounds, how this can be different for people with Cochlear implants and variables that affect sound (distance, barriers etc).
<b>RE</b>	We will be looking at multiple different religions and how believers see life as a journey. For this, we will look at Christian baptisms, Bar/Bat Mitzvahs and other ceremonies in various religions.
<b>History/ Geography</b>	We will continue with our History topic- the Romans. We will have a virtual workshop with a Roman soldier to learn about life as a Roman soldier and the invasion of Boudicca. In a few weeks, we will move onto our Geography topic (our local area).
<b>Computing</b>	We will be using our weather station to record data on Google Sheets about the weather. We will then create our own weather forecasts.
<b>PE</b>	We will carry on with swimming lessons every Tuesday morning.

## Important information and notices



Dear Parents and Carers,

The children are working incredibly hard and I am looking forward to sharing this with you at our virtual parent's evening.

### Homework

As before, homework is set and marked via Google Classroom. It is sent out on a Tuesday and is expected to be completed by the following Tuesday. Homework includes a piece of English work, a piece of Maths (usually added via MyMaths) and weekly spellings. Our class spelling tests will be on Tuesday afternoons. There is also a topic grid of other possible tasks to complete each half term, such as DT and Geography. Please try and complete a range of these throughout the term.

Practising the weekly spellings using a variety of techniques and revising the spelling pattern will help not only the performance in weekly spelling tests but apply to written work too.

It is essential that Y4 children know all of their times tables up to 12x12. Keep working hard on TTRockstars, Hit the Button and make use of the Maths support resources on Google Classroom.

If you have any problems with your login or computer access just let me know and we will make alternative arrangements.

### Reading

Please encourage your child to read regularly at home. They have been given a reading record to record the books that they have read. They can also log into Bug Club and read any of their allocated books on there. Once a week, they should be completing a VIPERS task in their reading records, either at school or at home, to show their understanding of the books they are reading.

If you have any questions or worries, feel free to email me on [class4@thorngrove.stockport.sch.uk](mailto:class4@thorngrove.stockport.sch.uk)

Thank you for your support.  
Miss Hart