

Year 4 Newsletter

Term 2
Spring Newsletter



Meet the Year 4 staff at Colmers Farm Primary School

Mr. Williams - Senior Head Teacher
Mrs. Young - Head of School
Miss Hooper - Teacher in 4HN
Miss Nazir - Teacher in 4HN
Miss Jennings - Teacher in 4J
Mrs. Jones - Teaching Assistant
Miss Kay - Teaching Assistant

Dear Parents/Carers,
Welcome to the second year group newsletter of Year 4.
This newsletter contains information about your child's learning across the curriculum.
If you have any questions we are here to help.

Year 4 Team.

For **4HN**, PE is every Tuesday. Please ensure your child arrives at school in their school PE kit—red t-shirt and black or navy bottoms. For all PE lessons, children need their hair tied up and any earrings removed.

PE for **4J** is swimming every Friday. Please ensure your child arrives at school in their full school uniform, with their swimming kit, their hair tied up and any earrings removed.

If your child can't remove their earrings, please let us know ASAP.

This will swap throughout the year, which you will be informed of in advance.

Multiplication Tables Check
In Year 4, all children in England take a multiplication tables check where they are tested on 25 different multiplication questions. Throughout the year, pupils will be given opportunities to practise their tables. Please support your child by encouraging them to keep practising them to improve their confidence.

SAGE Award
The children started their SAGE Award last year. We would love to see all children achieve their silver award by the end of the year, so if they have something at home they've achieved, please let us know.



- Maths**
- Confidently recall multiplication facts up to 12x12.
 - Multiplying 1 by 2 digit numbers.
 - Understand dividing numbers.
 - Continuing to develop addition and subtraction skills.
 - Creating graphs and interpreting data.
 - Solving multiplication and division word problems
 - Understand how to find fractions of a number.

- English**
- Consistently use joined handwriting that is neat and clear to read.
 - Understand statements, commands, questions and exclamations.
 - Use a range of conjunctions e.g. because, so, for, although, however, therefore.
 - Spell many words correctly from the Year 3/4 list.
 - Begin to use fronted adverbials with a comma.
 - Use standard English in my writing and speech.
 - Write for a range of different audiences.

Reading
It is really important that the children are reading at home every day. You should ideally aim for at least 15 minutes every day. Children can read their assigned Accelerated Reader books, a book for pleasure, e-books on MyOn and any other books that they also enjoy too. Please try to read with your child regularly to help their progress. Remember that reading will help them with their writing too!

Homework
Homework will be sent out weekly and needs to be returned on a Monday morning. The children will have a range of homework tasks over the year. Please make sure that homework tasks are completed in pencil and presented neatly. There will also be Athletics, Spelling Shed and reading homework set that can all be accessed online. We will ensure that the children's logins are sent home when they are ready.

Curriculum Content
Art — Drawing and Painting
Computing — iData and iProgramme
Design & Technology— Structures
English— Writing to Inform
History and Geography — Extreme Earth & The Normans
Maths — Multiplication, Division, Graphs, Fractions & Time
MFL (French) - Shapes and My Family
Music - Singing
Personal Development— Living in the Wider World
PE — Swimming and Dodgeball (alternating half terms)
Science — Electricity and Sound
Reading — The Lightning Catcher
RE— Islam

Important Dates

Tuesday 7th January 2025
First day back for children.

Wednesday 5th February 2025
Open Morning & Multiplication Inspire Workshop.

Tuesday 11th February 2025
Parents' Evening (**4J ONLY**).

Wednesday 12th February 2025
Parents' evening.

Thursday 13th February 2025

Parents' Evening (**NOT 4J**).

Friday 14th February 2025
Break up for half term.

Monday 24th February 2025
Children return to school.


Tuesday 8th April 2025
Year 4 Showcase.

Friday 11th April 2025
Break up for Easter break.

ATTENDANCE

Attendance at Colmers Farm Primary School is extremely important. Your child is our top priority and if they are to achieve their full potential they must be in school to learn. Our aim is above 96%.

Homework expectations for Year 4

KEY STAGE 2 - YEARS 3 AND 4						
	Reading	Grammar	Handwriting	Mathletics Online	Spelling Shed Online	History and Geography homework
Monday	Reading should take place at home daily (min 15 minutes per day) and accelerated reader should be completed			Can be used throughout the week, but a minimum of twice a week	Can be used throughout the week, but a minimum of once a week	Work from the knowledge organisers may be completed at any time.
Tuesday						
Wednesday			Homework given out			
Thursday						
Friday		Homework given out				

Please note that this is the minimum amount of homework given out each week. There may be occasions when your child receives additional homework to this.

As we have the multiplication checker coming up, if you are able to practise times tables with your child, that would have a positive impact on their confidence and speed.

Throughout the year, please also support your child to complete areas of their SAGE award. From time to time, we will send out some ideas of activities your child could do (with your support) to complete their award.

When you do have evidence for the SAGE award, please ensure you email it into school via the non-reply email addresses. These are:

4J = 4j@colmersfarm.excelsiormat.org
 4HN = 4hn@colmersfarm.excelsiormat.org