

Year 4 Newsletter

We hope you had a fabulous Easter break.

Summer term

This term we will be learning all about Contrasting Localities. We will be looking at the key human and physical features of Leeds and the Lake District. We will compare the two localities and investigate why tourists visit both every year. As part of this learning, we will look more closely at the features of Seacroft and will be going on a local walk to search for different features in our local environment.

Please feel free to see us at any time if you have any questions or queries about it. We would love to see any home learning that your child does at home using both the topic and Climate learning mats so please keep sending them. We will regularly update the class pages of the website to share our learning with you as well.

Home-school diaries

Please remember that all children should be using their home school diaries each week to record any learning they have done at home. These need to be brought into school each day as they may be used within lessons. Please record when your child has completed their reading, spellings and any other homework each week so we can celebrate this learning at school. Your child can record reading of their own books, library books or school books. We are really trying to promote a love of reading. If your child can't find their diary, then a new one can be purchased at the school office.

P.E.

Our P.E. days are: Tuesday (in-school PE) and Wednesday (swimming) On Tuesday, please send your child to school wearing a suitable P.E. kit. Most PE sessions will be outdoors this term so they will need suitable footwear and clothing. Children should not wear crop tops or footwear that is not suitable for sporting activities e.g. flip flops, crocs, Ugg boots. On P.E. days we ask that earrings and jewellery are removed.

Wednesdays will be swimming (beginning week commencing 27th April) – Please ensure your child brings their swimming kit and towel with them every week.

Homework

Spellings and timetables homework will be sent home every Monday to learn at home for a test in school on Friday. Please help your child to practise these everyday using the spelling sheets. Please continue to encourage your child to access Times Table Rockstars, Hit the Button and Spelling Shed. We will continue to focus on learning multiplication and division facts off by heart this term ready for the National Test in June. Please keep working on these with your child.

Year 4 – Useful Home Learning Websites

TSU

In Summer Term, we will be learning all about the Lake District in our TSU lessons. This will include sewing, painting, geography of rivers and mountains and learning about key historical figures of the Lake District.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/zbr9wmn> – BBC bitesize has lots of interactive quizzes, videos to watch and information to read.

www.world-geography-games.com – World Geography Games has many interactive games and quizzes to test students on their geographical knowledge.

Please also see our home learning grids (available on class pages and in home learning diaries) for more science and TSU home learning ideas!

Maths

In Summer Term, Year 4 will sit their statutory multiplication check. It is really important that pupils feel confident in their recall of multiplication facts up to 12x12.

www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/5-7-years/counting – Top marks has lots of free counting games available.

www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button – Hit the Button is an interactive maths game with quick fire questions on number bonds, times tables, doubling and halving, multiples, division facts and square numbers.

www.bbc.co.uk/teach/supermovers – We love these amazing songs for learning our times tables!

www.mathsframe.co.uk/en/resources/resource/477/Multiplication-Tables-Check – This activity exactly mirrors the 'Multiplication Tables Check' that will be given to children at the end of Year 4.

www.mathsframe.co.uk – Maths frame has lots of games and activities, many of which are free.

<https://play.ttrockstars.com> – Each pupil at Beechwood has a times table rock stars account!

Your child should bring a water bottle with them each day and they can bring a piece of fruit to eat at playtimes.

Please come and speak to us if you have any questions about accessing these sites or want more advice with how you can support your child's learning at home.

Many thanks,

Miss Burns and Mr Graham.