



Year 4

Welcome Meeting

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Meet the Team

Teaching Staff:

Miss Tay (YGL), Mr Ridgewell and
Miss Hall

Teaching Assistants:

Ms Murthen, Mrs Mottram (HLTA)
and Mrs Cranfield



Our Curriculum

Y4 Learning Journeys - Cross Curricular Approach



Autumn – Victorian Towns and Twisted Tales

14th September – Brighton Town Trail

29th September – Victorian Day

15th/16th November- Preston Manor

Woodland walks – letters will go home



If there are any changes to pick ups, including trips, you must let office know – we cannot send children home without confirmation.

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Spring– *Mysterious Maya*

March (TBC) - Drumming workshop

Mayan Feast

Chocolate tasting

Tie dye t-shirts



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Summer – *To Infinity and Beyond*

(TBC) - Planetarium

6/7th June 2024 - Lodge Hill (details to follow)

Ice cream making

Astronaut training day



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School Uniform

***Please ensure
you name all
your child's
clothes!***



Uniform Policy:

Socks – must be black, navy, grey or white – no logos/bright colours.

Earrings – Plain, small studs.

Hair accessories – Simple hair/headbands in school colours.

PE Kit

***Please
ensure you
name all
your child's
clothes!***



***Hair – needs to be tied
up.***

***Earrings – children
will need to either
remove or cover
with tape.***

For winter:

Warm track suit/joggers and fleece or school hoodie - plain, navy blue if possible



PE Days

- Each class will have 2 PE sessions per week, 1 indoor session and 1 outdoor session

Shakespeare: Wednesday and Thursday

If these ever change, you will be emailed in advance.

Dickens: Thursday and Friday

Rowling: Tuesday and Wednesday

- Each week we will also be doing a 10 minute run with our classes.
- Swimming will take place in the Summer Term



Other important items to have in their bag:

- Water bottle (labelled)
- Waterproof coat if we are expecting rain
- Suncream and hat when hot
- Reading journal
- No jewellery or valuables except small stud earrings please

Please ensure you name all your child's equipment!

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Behaviour and Expectations

Our Whole School Behaviour Policy:

- Praise the positives
- Sanctions for repeated inappropriate behaviour
- Parents will be contacted for both positive and negative behaviour



Southway Values



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Home Learning

- Weekly homework will rotate between GPS, maths and reading tasks.
- Homework will be set on a Wednesday and due back in on the following Wednesday, when we will mark it.
- Homework should be completed in their homework book and we expect to see all their workings for maths.
- Homework will be differentiated and children will often get to choose their level of difficulty for homework.
- Please keep in touch if there are any issues with homework. All children are aware that if they do not understand something, they can ask their teacher at school prior to the hand in day (Wednesday).



Home Learning Reading Journals

- Children should read at home as often as possible.
- They should record their reading in their Home Reading Journals, 3 times a week as a minimum (one of these will be completed in school).
- Adults do not need to write in their children's reading journals in Year 4.
- Reading journals should be in bags everyday, but are marked on a Friday.



Spellings

- Spellings learnt in class will also be stuck into homework books for the children to take home and learn. In week 1 and 2, they will have spellings to learn. In week 3, they will not as we will be testing the week 1 and 2 spellings that week. We would like for children to write their spellings into sentences, to help them to remember them.
- Please encourage your child to use their spelling words in conversation, as well as their writing.



Times Tables

- In June, children will have to sit the Year 4 multiplication check. This is done in school and is a similar format to Times Tables Rockstars.
- We expect children to be engaging with Times Tables Rockstars weekly in order to develop their fluency and accuracy. Little and often is the key, so if children have been on for a total of 25 minutes over a week, they will earn an extra 5 minutes break.
- We also complete weekly times tables practice as part of maths learning.

**We look forward to a brilliant
year with your children.**

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