



Autumn Newsletter

Welcome to Year 4!

September 2021

Dear Parents,

We are delighted to have welcomed everyone back into school this September, and it is a pleasure to get back to some kind of normality!

We hope the following information will prove useful in order to heighten your awareness of what is taught and when it happens during the autumn term. The key elements for each subject are on the second sheet, so you are aware of the main units of study and can support your child in their learning.

- Your child will need to come to school wearing **outdoor P.E Kit** every **WEDNESDAY**. **A waterproof coat is advisable.**
- Class 9 have already started swimming on a Friday, this will swap to class 10 in February.
- Homework will be sent home on **Friday** in a red folder.

- **Reading** – we suggest 10 minutes per night and to include a variety of fiction and non-fiction. Please encourage your child to look at the features of different texts. This is a good opportunity for you to share and discuss your child's reading book with them.
- **Multiplication tables** – Your child will have a target table to learn. It is very important that with your support they work hard to learn these as they are expected to know all the tables to 12 by the end of Year 4. There is a national test that they will have to complete around June time.
- **Spellings** – Every week your child will be sent a homework sheet about a spelling rule. There are examples of the spelling rules at the top of each sheet. Please work with your child to learn the spelling rule and the examples. In class we will complete a dictation test to assess their learning.
- **Research** - At times may ask children to research our topic areas to help them with their work in school.

Blended Learning

In the event of quarantine, lockdown or individual pupils needing to isolate work will be set through Purple Mash as before.

We do not wish homework to consume your child's free time. Therefore we don't intend for your child to work for more than 20 minutes on any one night. Homework activities are most successful when a positive partnership exists between home and school and when children are not left to their own devices, but rather the task is shared and modelled. We thank you for your support in this area.

To find out more about what we are doing and important information you can follow us on twitter [@yr4melthamce](https://twitter.com/yr4melthamce) (Please note we don't respond to direct messages on twitter)

The easiest way to contact us is by email.

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We look forward to a hardworking and enjoyable term.

If you have any queries, then please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

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Mrs Aspey



Topic Overview Autumn Term 2021 Year 4

Subject	Areas of study
Maths	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Place value• Round to the nearest 10, 100 and 1000• Count in 1000's• 1000's, 100's, 10's and 1's.• Partitioning• Number line to 10,000• 1000 more or less• Compare/order numbers• Count in 25's• Negative numbers
English	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Issues and dilemmas (Angel of Nitshill Road)• Fantasy• Information booklet• Poems on a theme• Grammar and spelling is taught weekly.
Science	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Electricity
RE	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• What faiths are shared in our country?
ICT	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Purple Mash• Coding
History	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Anglo Saxons and Vikings review
Geography	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Study of European countries
Art	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Illustration• Using collage / drawing• Printing• Ceramics
DT	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Making light boxes.
Music	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• African drumming for class 10
Swimming	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• For Class 9
PE	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Athletics
PSHCE	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Wellbeing /Friendship