

Year 4 Newsletter

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Raleigh Infant and
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Welcome

Dear families,

Welcome back! We are delighted to begin an exciting new school year and especially to welcome your child into Year 4. We hope you enjoyed a restful summer break and are ready for the new adventures that lie ahead.

From the Year 4 team.

PE is on a Wednesday, please make sure your child comes into school wearing their PE kit.

Important Dates



Wednesday 1st October:

- Parents' evening 1

Thursday 2nd October:

- Individual photographs
- Parents' evening

W/C. Monday 13th October:

- Y4 Assessment Week

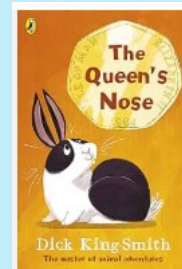
Half Term

Monday 27th October– Friday 3^{1st}

English

Reading

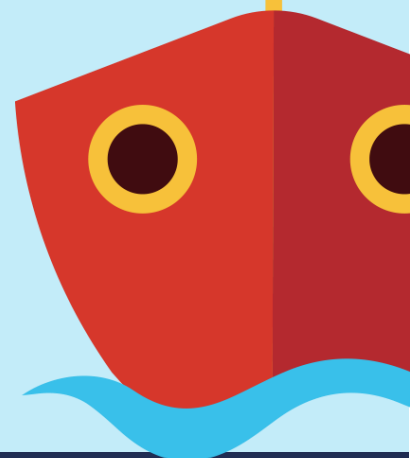
This term, Year 4 will be reading *The Queen's Nose*, a magical and heart-warming story about wishes, family and the power of imagination. We will explore characters, themes, and how the author uses language to create mood and meaning.



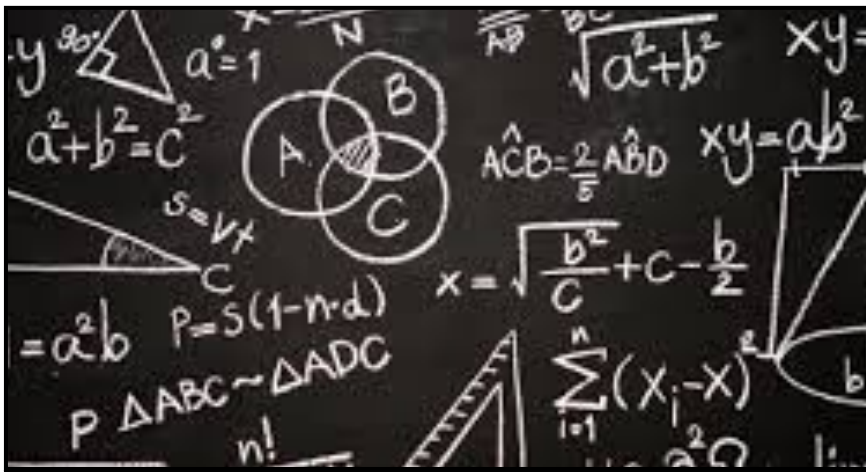
We will also be reading *The Raven*, focusing on poetry comprehension, vocabulary development, and interpreting deeper meanings in classic texts. Pupils will be encouraged to make predictions, ask questions, and share their thoughts during discussions.

Writing

In writing, we will be learning how to use superlatives, slogans, and rhetorical questions to create persuasive adverts. We will also be learning how to use direct and reported speech, along with a range of devices for an informal tone, to write first-person diary entries. In addition, we will explore different types of poetry that play with form, giving children the chance to experiment with language and structure.



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Mathematics

In the coming weeks, Year 4 will be focusing on column addition and subtraction using numbers up to 10,000. Pupils will build on their understanding of place value to accurately line up digits and solve problems step by step. We'll also explore how to check answers using the inverse operation and apply these skills to real-life word problems. Practising number bonds and times tables at home can really help boost confidence!

Homework

We encourage all children to practise regularly using TT Rockstars. Short, daily practice makes a big difference and helps children recall their times tables quickly and accurately. By the end of Year 4, children are expected to know all multiplication facts up to 12×12 so regular practice at home is essential.

Reading at home is also a vital part of your child's learning. We ask that children read at least 4 times per week and record this in their reading record. Regular reading helps to build fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension skills, and it also fosters a love of books and stories.



Homework is set on a Thursday and due in on the following Tuesday.

Life Skills



In PSHE this term, we will be focusing on; being part of a class team, being a school citizen, rights, responsibilities and democracy, rewards and consequences, group decision-making, having a voice and what motivates behaviour.

History



In History we will be studying Ancient Greece, providing children with a fascinating insight into how Greeks from different city states lived, the Gods they worshipped and the stories they told of monsters, heroes, challenges and bravery. It equips them with an understanding of what a legacy is; how there are things in our lives, such as how we vote, words we speak, sports we participate in, stories we tell, that remain from an earlier time.



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