Year 4 Newsletter

Autumn 2 2025

Raleigh Infant and Admirals Academies

Welcome

Dear families,
We hope you all had a relaxing half-term break and enjoyed some quality time together. The children have returned to school with great enthusiasm, and we are looking forward to another exciting half term of learning and discovery in Year 4. Over the coming weeks, we will be diving into new topics across the curriculum, building on the fantastic progress made so far this year.
Thank you, as always, for your continued support
From the Year 4 team.

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

Important Dates

5/12/25—Christmas Craft Afternoon

12/12/15—Dodgeball Day

15/12/25—Christmas Jumper Day (optional)

16/12/25—Y4 Christmas carols and readings (9.00 am)

17/12/25—Cinema Trip

18/12/25—Christmas Dinner

19/12/25—Christmas Disco & last day of term

English

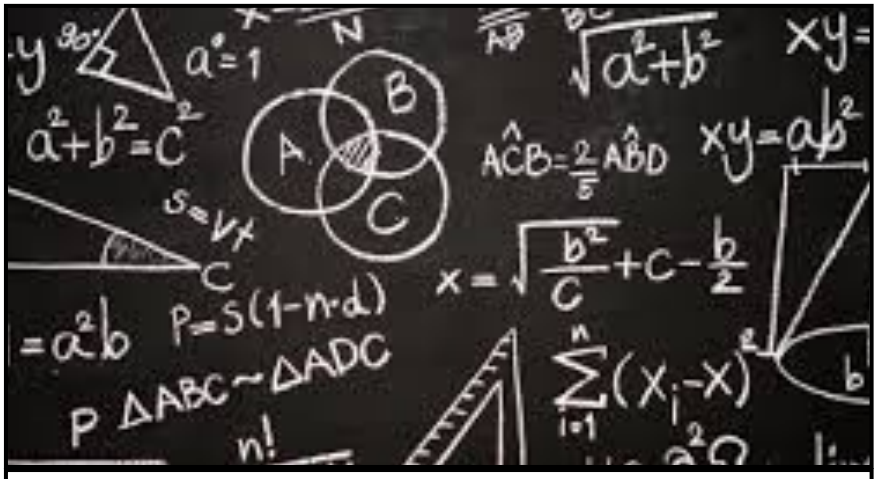
Reading

We will be reading, 'The Girl Who Stole and Elephant,' by Nizrana Farook, which is about a young girl living in Sri Lanka. Chaya has the desire to help those who need it the most. However, she finds herself in trouble after stealing the Queen's jewels!

Writing

This half term, we will be developing our storytelling skills by writing our own adventure stories. The children will learn how to balance dialogue and description to engage the reader and how to write effectively in the third person using both the progressive and simple past tenses. We will also explore a range of descriptive devices to bring our writing to life.

In addition, we will be studying the poems **A Boat Beneath a Sunny Sky** and **Brother and Sister** by Lewis Carroll. Through these, the children will learn how to use quotations to support their ideas and express their own interpretations and opinions with confidence.



Mathematics

Maths Focus

- **Perimeter:** Over the next two weeks, students will explore how to calculate the perimeter of different shapes.
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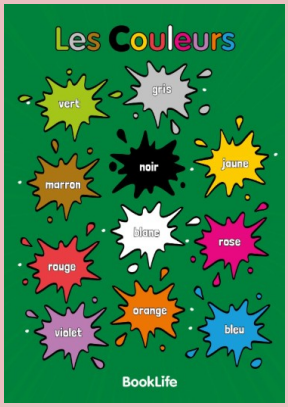
- **Multiplication:** For the following four weeks, we'll be **understanding the concepts of the 3, 6, and 9 times tables** to build speed and confidence with multiplication.

French

In French, this half term we are going to begin by recapping the numbers 11-20. This knowledge will then be used to count classroom objects and describe them using the plural form. Following this, we will recap colours, before using them to describe nouns, write them in the first and second person singular, say what our favourite colours are and answer questions about them.



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

Life Skills

Celebrating Difference

In PSHE this term, we will be focusing on; challenging assumptions, judging by appearance, accepting self and others, understanding influences, understanding bullying, problem-solving, identifying how special and unique everyone is and first impressions.

Geography

This term, students will be learning about the countries, climate, landscapes, and cultures of Mediterranean Europe. They'll explore what makes this region unique and how its geography influences daily life, tourism, and the environment.

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