# Year 4 Newsletter

**Autumn 2 2026**

**Raleigh Infant and Admirals Academies**

## Welcome

Dear families,

Welcome back to what is always a busy and exciting half term.
As we continue our learning journey, we are also looking forward to the many festive activities and celebrations leading up to Christmas.
Thank you for your continued support.
We look forward to a successful and enjoyable few weeks ahead
From the Year 4 team

## Important Dates



- **1.12.26 –** VR Headset workshop
- **4.12.26 –** Christmas Craft afternoon (parent/carers invited)
- **10.12.26 –** Year 3 and 4 dress rehearsal to rest of academy
- **10.12.26 –** Fundraising event – Bauble and Snow Globe Workshop
- **14.12.26 –** Admirals Cinema Trip
- **15.12.26 –** Christmas Jumper Day
- **15.12.26 –** Year 3 and 4 Christmas Performance (9am)
- **17.12.26 –** Admirals Christmas Dinner
- **18.12.26 –** Christmas Disco and the last day of term

## English

Reading

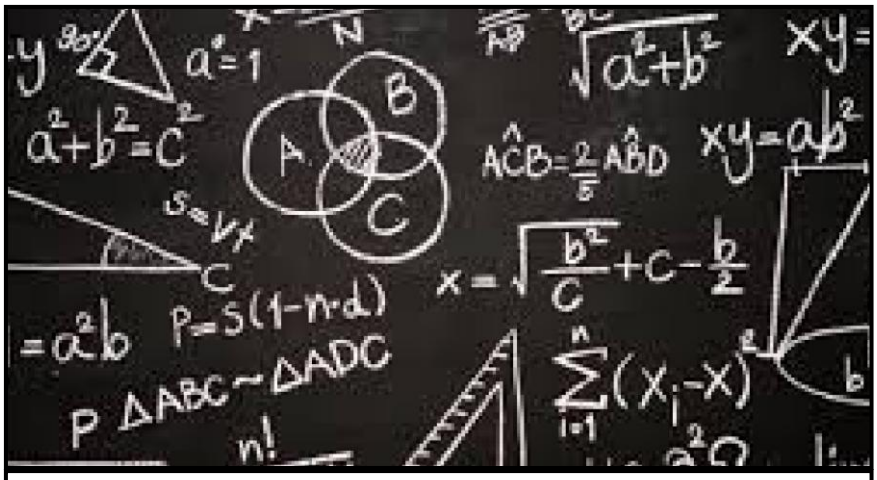
We will be reading, *'The Girl Who Stole and Elephant,'* by Nizrana Farook, which is about a young girl living in Sri Lanka. Chaya has the desire to help those who need it the most. However, she finds herself in trouble after stealing the Queen's jewels!




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.



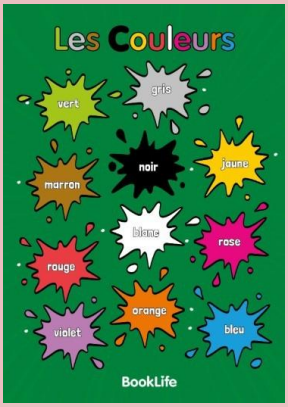
# Mathematics

**Maths Focus**

- **Perimeter:** Over the next two weeks, students will explore how to calculate the perimeter of different shapes.
- **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




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
- First impressions

If you would like any more information on these lessons, please speak to your child's class teacher, Mrs Wilsoncroft or the office.

# Geography

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




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