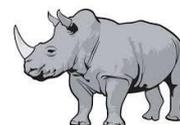
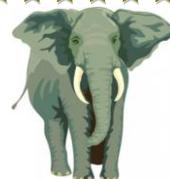


# Curriculum Newsletter for Year 4



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Year 4! We have a very exciting time ahead of us. In order to keep you informed and help you support your children, we thought it would be useful to share with you some of the arrangements for the Autumn Term.

Class	Year 4 –Rhino and Elephant	
Class Teacher	Miss Hams Miss Synnott	
Other teachers teaching the class	Mrs Tomson (Tuesday AM) (Elephant) Mrs Lacey (Tuesday AM) (Rhino) In case of sickness or absence it may be another member of staff.	
Support staff working in the classroom	Miss Gadd	
Home learning	All home learning, including Mathletics activities, will be set and sent home on a Thursday. These will need to be returned or completed by the following Tuesday.	
Reading books	Children can change their reading books every day if they wish, as long as they have read the book at home. Please try and hear your child read for at least 20 minutes each day. Please remember to sign the reading record when you have heard your child read, indicating the page number reached. Any brief comments about how your child read the book or about any questions / conversations you had about the book are very useful for continual assessment.	
PE kits	Our PE days are Wednesday and Friday. Please ensure <b>named</b> PE kits are in school every day. All jewellery should be removed and children with long hair should have it tied back for health and safety reasons.	
Planned trips this term:	Roman Day – in school Power to the people – tbc	
Theme work	Autumn 1	Autumn 2
	<i>Rotten Romans</i>	<i>Power to the People</i>

We have outlined below an overview of our learning this term which will help you to support your child at home. If you have any questions about these topics, please come and talk to us.

## **Literacy**

This term, in class we will begin by looking at myths and legends. After this, we will focus on poetry, where we will expand our vocabulary and compose our own poems. After half term, we will explore a range non-fiction texts, as well as developing our narrative writing. Our Guided reading groups continue to develop the children's comprehension and thinking skills, with an emphasis on inferential questions.

## **Maths**

In Maths, our learning focus will begin with looking at place value and addition and subtraction. We will move onto shape, multiplication, fractions and decimals later in the term.

## **RE**

As a school we will be learning through our collective worship sessions and in class about the Christian value of wisdom. In R.E, our learning focuses on Christianity and the miracles that Jesus' preformed.

## **PE**

Our PE Games focus will be working well as a team. In gymnastics we will use various skills to enable creativity and "branching out activities" to relate and apply gymnastic skills to the wider sporting world.

## **Computing**

In computing we will be focusing on how to code computer programmes using the LearnPads. Computer skills will also be used across the curriculum. The children will have the opportunity to design and create using a range of software applications

## **Theme**

Our theme this half term is 'Rotten Romans.' The children will learn about ancient Rome; we will look at events such as the Roman invasion of Britain and also learn about Roman houses, inventions and food. We will have a special day when the children get to imagine they are true Romans for the day; they will dress up in Roman clothes and take part in a drama workshop.

This term the children will be creating, composing and performing their own music, as well as listening to the music of different cultures. Much of the art work created this term will link across the curriculum in line with our theme and the children will study a range of artists and will develop their skills in painting, drawing, observation, and printing.

After half term we will be starting our new theme called 'Power to the People'. The children will be learning all about electricity and creating some scientific investigations involving circuits.

If you have any questions, feel free to catch one of the Year 4 team and we will be happy to help.

Thank you for your continuing support.

Miss Hams and Miss Synnott

