

Y4 Curriculum Letter, Spring 2021

Dear all,

Welcome to our Spring Term in Year 4! I would like to congratulate Hawthorn on how well they have responded to the challenges and changes so far. For now, it will be a bit different to a normal Spring Term, but hopefully we will all see each other again soon.

Each Monday, a timetable for the week will go onto the General channel, and there will also be a post from me each morning. Every morning at least one lesson will go into the subject channel, with the rest of the lessons being added during the day.

English

This term we will be learning about a story told in narrative verse and playscripts. We will then use strands from these genres to form our own writing. We will be revising adverbials, including fronted adverbials, plurals, possession and apostrophes. For our non-fiction work, we will be exploring the language and features of explanation texts.

Reading

We have started reading our class reader, 'Perry Angel's Suitcase' by Glenda Millard. If you haven't collected a book yet, please let me know. We have had a 'live' reading session where we read and discussed key parts. I am hoping to extend these next week and to include one on a Tuesday and Thursday if possible. Our class reader sessions usually include reading comprehension tasks. In addition, please spend at least 25 minutes reading every day. This could be reading their own book or reading/enjoying a book together - and could also include comics and magazines. AR quizzing will be enabled from home. Remember that you can access books on Oxford Owl using `tatworth2` as the login and password.

Spellings

Each day, Year 4 will have a 20-minute task for spelling. This will be posted in the Phonics Spelling channel each week. Words will also be set for every child on Spellingframe each week on a Tuesday. Practise and play some of the games for your word list on Spellingframe. By Monday evening, please complete the test.

Maths

Each lesson begins with arithmetic (Nimble Number), recapping on previous learning as a reminder, and to work on areas that we have already covered but perhaps need more practice.

We have started the term learning about Multiplication and Division and will be moving onto Measurement: Area and then onto Fractions. Furthermore, please continue to access TT Rockstars or the Mathsframe website to review times tables practise.

Other subjects

Science

The Water Cycle and Animals, including humans (including the digestive system, teeth and food chains)

Topic

Volcanoes and Earthquakes

The iron Age.

PSHE

Me and my relationships

Music

Pulse and Metre

Please use the Homelearning e-mail address if you have any questions or concerns about your child's learning and I will endeavour to get back to you as soon as possible. Thank you very much for your ongoing support.

Take care and best wishes,
Mrs Berrisford.