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SUMMER 2024 CLASS NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers of children in Year 4,

I hope you all had a lovely Easter and enjoyed spending time together with your family and friends.

Now we are back at school, this newsletter will update you on our Year 4 learning and the routines for the summer term.

In Year 4 this term, Mrs Fox and I will be the Year 4 classroom adults. We will also be joined by Mrs Yells and Mrs Murphy from time to time. As a collective, we will always provide your child with a safe, fun and nurturing learning environment.

We pride ourselves on having an **open-door policy**, so if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me. Similarly, if I am ever not available, please feel free to discuss any concerns with Mrs Fox or any of our other school adults and they will be more than happy to help.

We have included a list of topics for the summer term and a brief explanation of what we will be covering during each one in the table below.

This term in Year 4, we are learning:

Subject Area	Content	What we hope to find out and learn
English	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Fiction (folk tale and overcoming a monster)Non-Fiction (diary and informative)	In English we will be reading a variety of texts to ensure the children become familiar with a wide range of genres. We will discuss each text together as a class, learn and practise the grammatical features within it before then finally writing our own.
Maths	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Fractions greater than 1Symmetry in 2D shapesDivision with remaindersTimeStatistics	In Maths we will begin by focussing on fractions. Here we will recap what we learnt in Year 3 before moving onto mixed numbers, adding and subtracting and finding equivalent decimals. We will commence a Shape unit, refamiliarizing ourselves with 2D shapes and finding lines of symmetry. Towards the end of summer, we will learn about time on analogue and digital clocks and read, analyse, and plot our own statistics.
Science	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Sound (continued)	In Science, we will be continuing to learn about Sound and how this travels to our ears. We will be investigating sounds that we

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Living things and their habitats 	make and working out the best materials to insulate sound. Next, we will be grouping and classifying animals, looking in detail at the habitats and how they could be at harm in the future.
Geography & History	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Romans (continued) Volcanoes 	We are going to continue learning about the Romans and the effect their invasion had on Britain. Then, we will begin to learn about Volcanoes and use our fieldwork and mapping skills to bring our learning to life.
Computing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Online Safety 	In Computing, we will be revisiting online safety. We will be writing rules for how to keep ourselves and others safe online.
Art & DT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sculpture and 3D: Mega materials Electrical systems: Torches 	In Art, we will be using large, unfamiliar materials to create sculptures. We will be echoing work of other artists, using bendable wire. In DT, we will be creating our own electrical items. We will design electrical torches and create them with a working switch.
Music	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Singing A variety of music styles 	In Music, we will be learning to play the Ukelele, and we will be learning musical notation. We will listen to and echo back repeated musical patterns and create our own 'jamming.'
PSHE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Economic wellbeing Transition 	In PSHE, we will be learning about money, our attitudes towards it and how to manage it. We will also discuss mental health and its importance as we transition to the end of Year 4.
RE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> How and why should we make the world a better place? 	We will be looking at how we and others can make the world better. This includes a look at a range of major world religions as well as non-religious views including Humanism.
PE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Athletics Cricket Rounders 	In PE, we will be learning and practising skills for athletics events such as sprint, long distance, relay, shot putt, javelin, discus and jumping. We will then focus on skills needed in strike/fielding games.

HOMEWORK IN YEAR 4

Homework will be **set on a Monday** and will be collected **the following Monday**.

Reading

All children at Uffculme Primary School are expected to read at least **3 times a week** at home. Please ensure your child does this and please sign their Reading Record Book to show that they have been heard reading. The children will need to make sure that they bring their Reading Record Book to school every day for the classroom adults to use and check.

Spelling

Spelling homework will be given as a sheet in your child's homework book. They are expected to practise the 10 spellings each week. These spellings will link to our spelling scheme followed in class. Please encourage your child to bring their homework book back to school each week for an adult to check their spelling homework.



Maths

Maths homework is on TT Rockstars. Please support your child in doing **at least 20 minutes** of this a week.

Water bottles and snack

Please can you send a **water bottle into school every day** for your child. It is really important that they have access to water throughout the day and a bottle in the classroom ensures that water is readily available (no squash or juice please). Please label the bottle with your child's name.

If your child would like a snack at break time, they can bring in a piece of fruit or veg from home.

PE

PE lessons will be taken by Mr Carpanini and will be on a Wednesday and Thursday. Children will need to have their PE kit in school on these days. A reminder that your child needs: black shorts, red polo-shirt and daps/trainers. When the weather is colder, they may need black tracksuit bottoms and a black sweatshirt. Please ensure that all PE kit is clearly labelled and carried in a named bag. For health and safety reasons, jewellery must be removed for P.E; this includes earrings.

Thank you for all of your support. Let's have a great summer term!

With very best wishes,

Mrs A Hughes

Year 4 Teacher

Dates for your diary:

APRIL		
Tuesday 23 rd		Open Classrooms
MAY		
Monday 6 th		May Day Bank Holiday – No school
Monday 13 th - Thursday 16 th		KS2 Statutory Assessment Tests (SATs)
Friday 24 th May		Ambition Day
Monday 27th to Friday 31st May 2024 - Half Term Break		
JUNE		
Wednesday 5 th	9:30am	New Intake parents meeting
Monday 10 th		Whole school and class photographs
Tuesday 11 th	1:30pm	1 st EYFS Transition visit
Wednesday 12 th	3:45pm	Summer Music Concert
Saturday 15 th	11am – 3pm	PTFA Summer Fete
Tuesday 18 th	1:30pm	2 nd EYFS Transition visit
Wednesday 26 th – Friday 28 th		Year 4 Residential - Kilve
JULY		
Monday 1 st	2pm	KS2 Production Dress rehearsal
Tuesday 2 nd	3:40pm	Year 6 Transition day to Uffculme School Meet and Greet with new teachers
Wednesday 3 rd	5:30PM	KS2 Evening Performance (The Venue)
Thursday 4 th	All Day	Sports Day (Uffculme School)
Friday 5 th	All day	Mix Festival (KS2 only)

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Tuesday 9 th – Friday 12 th		Year 6 Residential – Charter House
Friday 12 th		Summer Reports sent home
Thursday 18 th	2pm	Year 6 Leavers Assembly followed by BBQ on field (for Year 6 only)
Friday 19 th		Last day of term
Monday 22nd July Summer Holidays		

