



Welcome back to school!

All members of staff working in Year 4 are looking forward to the year ahead. We know it's going to be a great one!



Year 4 PE days for this term will be as follows:

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| | Giraffes | Panthers | Penguins |
| Indoor PE | Wednesday | | Thursday |
| Outdoor PE | Friday | | Monday |
| Swimming | | Friday | |

PE Kit

Thorndown PE kit is a white t-shirt with navy or black shorts. All children need trainers to change into for outdoor PE. In winter, children will need a tracksuit to keep warm during outdoor PE and this should be in dark, plain colours. For safety, please note that tracksuit tops without hoods are preferable. No jewellery should be worn and long hair should be tied back.

Please remember...

Read your reading book every day and make sure you log it on BoomReader. There is a QR code for you to download the app on the Year 3 door.

Play TTRockstars for at least 10 minutes five times a week.

Make sure you bring a water bottle and a healthy snack to school every day.

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PE
Throughout the year, each class will enjoy swimming sessions on a Friday morning. Panther class will be swimming first. Penguins and Giraffes will be learning a Roman themed dance and practising their skills in invasion games.

PSHE
In PSHE this half-term, we will be learning about rights, rules and responsibilities. We will be thinking about these both in our school and outside of school.

Maths
As mathematicians, the children will be looking at the following areas:

- Addition and subtraction calculation strategies
- Exploring numbers to 10,000
- Perimeter and 2D shape

English-Reading & Writing
As readers and writers, we will be using a range of stimuli to develop our fluency, comprehension and writing skills:

- The Iron Man by Ted Hughes
- How To Build A Roman Road - Plazoom

Music
As musicians, we will exploring changes in pitch, tempo and dynamic while learning a song about rivers.

Science
As scientists, we will be investigating electricity. We will be looking at things around us that use electricity and electrical circuits.

Art
We will be learning about Pointillism and looking at the work of Georges Seurat.

Religion and Worldviews
In Religion and Worldviews, we will be learning about Christianity and Palestine. We will be learning about some stories from the New Testament.

Computing
In computing, we will be recapping our learning of how computers connect to one another. We will then look at understanding how web browsers and networks work.

History
The children will be studying the Roman Republic. We will be focusing on:

- Romulus
- The Roman Republic
- Rome vs Carthage
- Hannibal's attack on Rome
- Scipio saves Rome
- Culture in the Roman Republic

Geography
As geographers, we will be learning about the Rhine and the Mediterranean. This will be building on our Year 3 learning. Our lessons will be about:

- The Rhine
- Cologne
- Rotterdam
- How the Rhine is changing
- The Mediterranean Sea
- The Suez Canal