

# Year 4 - Spring A



All the staff working in Year 4 hope you had a great Christmas break and can't wait to get carry on learning with you!

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

Giraffes Panthers Penguins

Indoor PE Monday

Outdoor PE Friday Monday

Thursday

Swimming Wednesday

Giraffes will have their last swimming session on the week of 18th March 2024. Penguins will begin their swimming sessions on the week of the 25th March. Keep an eye on text reminders for what day of the week your child will be swimming.

#### 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.

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. As the weather is getting colder, please bring a warm coat every day.

## PE Giraffe class will be swimming, with their last session being on Wednesday 20th March. Penguins will then start swimming the week of the 25th. When they are not swimming, the children will be learning a Roman dance and exploring some cricket skills.

#### **PSHE**

In PSHE this half-term, the children will be learning how to work together and will begin looking at budgeting and how to look after their money.

#### Maths

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

- multiplication and multiplicative relationships
- coordinates

The children will be preparing for their Multiplication Tables Check (MTC).

## English-Reading & Writing

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

- The Day I Swapped My Dad for Two Goldfish by Neil Gaiman
- Leon and the Place Between by Angela McAllister

#### Music

As musicians, we will be exploring a road building song and then will have a go at composing our own musical piece based on the learning we've done about the Romans.

#### DT

We will be exploring pizzas in DT. We will taste different a go at designing and making our own.

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### Computing

In computing, we will recapping our learning on coding and programming. We will be using loops and repeats to create our own program while also debugging any mistakes we might find.

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In Religion and Worldviews, the children will be learning about the life and teachings of Jesus.

Religion and Worldviews

Science

As scientists, we will be investigating sound.

### History

The children will be studying the Romans in Britain. We will be focusing on:

- Romans invading Britain
- Caratacus
- Boudicca
- Aguae Sulis
- Hadrian's Wall

#### Geography

As geographers, the children will be learning about coastal erosion. These lessons will be about:

- Coastal processes erosion
- Other coastal processes
- Coastal landforms
- The Jurassic Coast
- Coastal Habitats
- The coast of West Wales