



Year 4 - Spring B

All the staff working in Year 4 hope you had a great half term and are looking forward to our fun filled half term of learning.



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

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

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 rotation in gymnastics and athletics.

PSHE
In PSHE this half-term, the children will be learning about body parts in our Sex and Relationships Education. They will also be learning about medicines, drugs and the impact they have on the body.

Maths
As mathematicians, the children will be looking at the following areas:
• multiplication and multiplicative relationships
• coordinates
• fractions
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 Amazon River - A non-chronological report

Music
As musicians, we will be exploring the Hanami Festival through music. We will create our own haikus and putting them to music ready to perform.

Science
As scientists, we will be investigating light and shadow.

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Art
We will be exploring collages. We will then be using media to create our own collage based on the Byzantine Empire.

Religion and Worldviews
In Religion and Worldviews, the children will be learning about death and resurrection in Christianity.

Computing
In computing, we will recapping our learning on coding and programming. We will be using looking at coding in games and how we can debug things that don't work how we want them to.

History
The children will be studying the Christianity in Three Empires. We will be focusing on:
• Christians in the Roman Empire
• Emperor Constantine makes big changes
• An African empire: Aksum
• A high and holy place
• How Aksum became a Christian state

Geography
As geographers, the children will be learning about tourism. These lessons will be about:
• The seaside
• Types of tourism
• Changes in tourism
• Summer in the sun
• Sustainable tourism