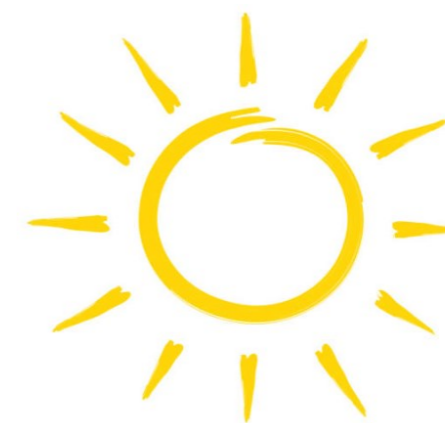




## Welcome back to Summer A!



As the weather improves, please make sure that your child has a water bottle, a sun hat and suncream in school at all times.

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

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

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 book at least 5 times every week and record it into your reading diary so that you can be entered into our reading raffle!

Play TTRockstars for at least 5 minutes every day.

Practice your weekly words every day using the spelling activities grid.

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Music  
As musicians we will be exploring the musical rhythm of Haikus and linking this to the Hanami festival. We will also be looking at music from previous generations with a focus on Rock and Roll.

PE  
Children will be taking part in a variety of sporting activities:

- Swimming
- Dance
- Gymnastics
- Orienteering
- Bat and Ball Games
- Invasion Games

PSHE  
In PSHE we will continue with a focus on Working Together. We will learn about Financial Capability to understand the importance of money in our lives. Children will learn about Drug Education to support their understanding of medicines and recreational drugs. We will also complete our SRE unit which will focus on the human lifecycle and the different responsibilities of adults and children

Maths  
As mathematicians we will be looking at the following areas:

- Coordinates
- Fractions
- Symmetry
- Time
- Decimals

English-Writing & Reading  
As writers we will be exploring a range of different text types, including playscripts and narrative writing. We will be using Alice in Wonderland and The Bear and The Piano.

Multiplication Check  
We will be doing some practise times tables checks ready for Summer B.

Art  
As artists we will be exploring how positive messages are shared in a graffiti style of art. We will be using clay skills to make coins with our own portrait and engraving it with our own positive message.

Artsmark  
Our art project will have links to our work around PSHE and our poetry.

Computing  
In Computing we will be developing our understanding of how web browsers and networks work. We will also learn about how to search for information online and discuss the reliability of what we find.

History  
As historians we will be learning about Constantinople and the Eastern Roman Empire. We will also begin to learn about early Islamic Civilizations and drawing comparisons between these and the Roman Empire.

Science  
As scientists we will be beginning the term by exploring how different forces and will have a focus on friction and magnetism. We will also be learning about how living things and their habitats and exploring how changing environments can impact the animals that live there.

Religion and World Views  
In Religion and Worldviews we will be learning about what the Bible tells Christians about how Jesus' message was spread by his apostles.

Geography  
As geographers we will be learning about different types of tourism and how we can strive to be more considerate to the environments that we visit as tourists. We will also learn about the earths tectonic plates