



Gilbertstone Primary School

Year 4 Autumn 2 Newsletter



Hello and Welcome to Autumn 2

We hope everyone had a wonderful half term break ! We are looking forward the Autumn 2 term with lots of exciting new learning! This term, we have a school trip to Cadbury's World (27.11.25') and our class assembly in December—12.12.25' (Friday) at 9:00 am.

Literacy

This half term, Year 4 will be reading ' Leaf ' by Sandra Dieckmann. It's a beautifully illustrated book through which we will write an Outsider's Narrative and then an Information Report. The language and grammar skills the children will learn are; prepositions, expanded noun phrases and fronted adverbials. We will also reinforce the use of standard English when writing.



Reading

4S will be reading 'Space Number Crunch! A non-fiction book. Whereas, 4K will be reading a fiction text titled ' The Super Miraculous Journey of Freddie Yates ' by Jenny Pearson . Year 4 will focus on the retrieval and interpret skills. We will also continue to explore using a dictionary to check new vocabulary meanings.

Maths

In Maths this half term we are going to be learning:

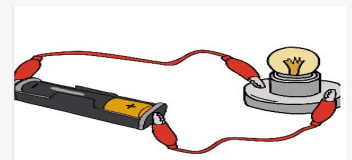
How to calculate the area (calculating area by counting squares)

Multiplication and division facts for x3, x6, x7, x9, x11 and x12



Science

In Science this half term, we will be learning about Electricity and Circuits: Children will be learning how to build a circuit, switch it on and off and explore electricity safety, conductors and insulators.



Wider Curriculum

This half term, we will have a focus on Geography and DT. In Geography, we will be learning about rainforests, their location and features, we will then compare them to our local woodland.



In DT, we will use our knowledge of electrical systems to design and assemble a torch.



Homework

Just a reminder that spelling and maths homework is set each week on a **Friday** to be handed in the following **Wednesday**. Maths homework will be marked at school.

In preparation for our MTC (Multiplication Tables Test), please practise times tables to 12 as often as possible— TT Rockstar Garage setting.



Forest School

Year 4 children will have Forest School once each half term.

4S will have Forest School on **Monday (17.11.25')**

4K will have Forest School on **Friday (21.11.25')**

During this session, the children will take part in activities that reinforce their knowledge on Woodland Wildlife and make bird feeders.

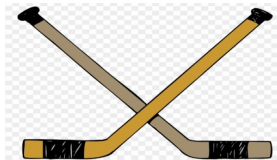


Please send your child with wellies and ensure they are wearing suitable clothing.

PE

Year 4 children will continue to have outdoor PE on a **Tuesday (hockey)** and indoor PE on a **Wednesday (dance)**. In **hockey**, we will cover the key rules of this invasion game. We will develop attacking and defending skills as a team, as well as how to dribble, pass and receive and shoot the ball with control). In **dance**, we will learn different movement skills : actions, dynamics, space and relationship, we will develop and awareness of other performers and how to move together in time. Both PE units will reinforce our Social, Emotional and Thinking skills as well as Team Work.

Please come to school in your PE kit.



Anti Bullying Week

During the week commencing 10th November 2025, we will exploring Anti- Bullying week across the school during a series of lessons. This year's theme is 'Power for Good'. All children will be given the opportunity to explore and learn this theme and all about bullying.



Thank you for your support!

The Year 4 Team



Mrs Klofik , Miss Socci
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A massive thank you to all the children and parents for creating their beautiful Rainforest homework.

