

Don't Forget:

PE kits must be in school at all times.

Homework is set on a Friday to be returned the following Tuesday.

Spellings are set on a Friday and tested the following Tuesday.

Reading Journals are to be filled in at least 5 times a week and brought to school daily.

Water Bottles should be brought in daily. We would prefer these bottles to be reusable.

Uniforms must be correct and labelled with a permanent marker. Shoes must be black; black trainers are acceptable but they must not have coloured laces, soles, or trims.

Maths: This term, we will cover place value, addition, subtraction, multiplication, division and measurement. Children will apply their knowledge to real life problems and investigations which will develop their fluency and accuracy. There will also be an emphasis on rapid times table recall in preparation for the new Multiplication Tables Check (MTC) in the summer term.

History/Geography: In *Geography* the children will study the local area with a focus on, and visit to, Broomfield Park. After half term we will be using map skills to study Europe and we will also be looking at the human and physical features of selected countries.

Science: Our topic for this half term is *All Living Things and their Habitats*. We will be looking at local habitats in and around the school. After half term our topic is *Sound*. The children will identify how sounds are made, how they travel and how they can be changed. Our STEM project will involve sound insulation.

Dear Parent/Carer,

Y4 have settled quickly into their new year group and we are all looking forward to the term ahead. Our whole school topic is *The Circle of Life*. We will incorporate this theme across the curriculum where appropriate. All three classes will perform a class assembly this term, details of which will follow shortly. We will also be visiting Broomfield Park as part of our Local Area study. Should you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact us.

Year 4 Team

Year 4 Curriculum News

Topic: The Circle of Life

French: Our topic this term is *Portraits* and through this unit the children will be learning to describe theirs and others' appearance and personalities.

PE: Outdoor PE lessons will focus on net and invasion games, and indoor sessions will focus on gym and balance.

Music: This term the children will be learning to read sheet music and to play the Recorder. Lessons will be led by the Enfield Music Service.

English: We have begun our English lessons this term by recapping on basic grammar and using nouns, verbs, adjectives and adverbs to write Haikus. Following this will be studying poetry of Roger McGough and writing environmental poems in the style of *Give and Take*. The next unit *A Visitors' Guide to Broomfield Park*, involves comparative and persuasive writing and links with our local area study. In November and December, we will study two fantastic books, *La Mariposa* and *Varjak Paw*. Through different text types, the children will learn to organise their writing, use descriptive language, present facts and opinions and use Standard English.

Religious Education: The children will be exploring Judaism and the celebration of Sukkot. As part of the unit, they will have the opportunity to visit a local synagogue and meet with the Rabbi. This visit links with the British Values of tolerance and acceptance of the beliefs of others and it also encourages children to compare the faiths they have studied so far at Highfield.

Art & Design: In the first half term, we will be looking at the human form with a focus on faces. The children will learn how to draw a face using technical dimensions. They will also study how different artists have depicted faces. After half term in D&T we will be designing and making a nutritious meal with a focus on safety and hygiene.

ICT: Esafety: We will discuss -Is what we read on the internet always true? What do you do if you have concerns about what you read/see on the internet? The children will also learn how to use powerpoint to share information.