

Year 4 Newsletter

Terms 1 and 2 2018

WELCOME MESSAGE

Welcome to Year 4. We hope your child has enjoyed the first two weeks of term as much as we have. They have certainly settled quickly and impressed us with their STAR behaviour.

4EA – Miss Avdija

4AH – Miss Hill

Teaching Assistant – Mrs O’Sullivan-Gutsell

4AH will have their class assembly on **Wednesday 21st**

November at 2.50pm

4EA will have their class assembly on **Wednesday 28th**

November at 2.50pm

REMINDERS

Please remember that all pupils wear the same school uniform. Therefore it is essential that every item is clearly labelled with your child’s name so that we can try to return any lost items to their rightful owner.

PE kits will continue to be kept in classrooms. Please make sure the PE kit bag is labelled with your child’s name so they can find it easily.



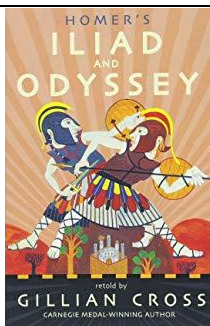
ENGLISH

CONTROLLED READING

We will be reading The Iliad, a version written by Gillian Cross from the original by Homer.

WRITING

We will be focussing on developing our vocabulary particularly to describe action in a narrative. We will also learn how and when to use apostrophes for possession.



MATHS

After a reminder about place value, we will be using the formal method for addition and subtraction.

In TimesTable Rockstars, we will continue to strive to beat our scores each time, focussing on the 2, 5 and 10 times tables.



TEXT AND CONTEXT

In addition to reading the Iliad, we will be learning about the Greek Gods in the myths. This will help us understand the context of the Iliad better.

At home, you can help by regularly looking at and discussing the Knowledge Organiser, especially helping your child to remember the Geek and Trojan warriors and their role in the book.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

PE takes place on Wednesdays and for the first half term will be focussed on swimming skills. After half term, Mr Ellis will be teaching hockey skills.

DAILY MILE

The children are really enjoying The Daily Mile and many of them can already run a mile most days! We can’t wait to introduce more challenges for them.

COMPUTING/MUSIC



In Computing we are learning early coding skills through a programme called Scratch. So far we have created an avatar. In our next lessons we will learn to animate our figure and then explore different movements.

PERSONAL, SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL

The first weeks of term have been devoted to settling in and remembering to have high expectations of ourselves. Over the coming terms we will explore friendships and discuss how we can better manage those times when we fall out with our friends.



Reading at Home

All children are encouraged to read regularly at home. Please do make use of our well stocked library in school and either visit after school or encourage your child to visit during lunch times. Of course, it’s important to read to your child, no matter how old they are!

Please record any reading your child does at home on the weekly homework sheet.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY

ART & DESIGN

These subjects will be taught in week blocks at different times of the year. Information about these will be sent home nearer the time

HOMEWORK

Homework will be explained the children and sent home on Fridays. Please bring homework back to school by Wednesdays to give us time to check it. Spelling tests will be done on Thursdays.

We will be launching our new Science curriculum after half term! More details about that to follow soon...