

When in Year 4 ...

In Year 4, the children will be taught by Mrs Hart (Teacher) and Mrs Sellwood (Teaching Assistant) and we have some really exciting topics including: On the march (Romans), Jim's Journey (Victorians), Through the Portal, The Beach and Forces. We centre our learning around a key text such as "A diary of a young Roman Soldier" and "Street child", and this helps us to generate great ideas and link our learning together.



We expect the children to read daily, at least three times to an adult so that they can have in depth conversations about their book, and four times independently. This is to help their reading skills to develop so they can gain celebration badges! Accelerated reading badges give them a goal and the children wear them with pride. The first is gained when the children reach 100,000 words, then 250,000, 500,000 and finally 1 million! To reach each of these goals the children have to pass a quiz on the text they are reading, which includes questions about word meanings and inference.

The children can take on extra roles and responsibilities such as being a digital leader, Deanery rep or class based monitoring jobs. This helps the children gain confidence and be proud of their classroom and school. They can also join a range of KS2 clubs including: Choir, Comic Book club, Archery, Football, Athletics, Dance and Homework club.



Children in year 4 are rewarded individually for spelling homework efforts, if completed each week, and daily classroom efforts such as being a good citizen or doing an extra special piece of work, with raffle tickets. These are then drawn on a Friday where two children are picked out, at random, to choose a prize from the 'Rainbow bag'. We also have a whole class Pasta jar, which once filled we decide on a reward together, such as extra break or equipment time.

Music is a real hit this year in Year 4, with the children learning the clarinet! We are excited to show off their new skills in a mid- year performance and end of year performance, with their West Sussex Music teacher, Mr Mott.



We hope you will help us in your child's learning journey and that if you have any questions, please feel free to ask us – we are here to help you.