

Welcome

Dear Parents and Carers,
We have had a great first half-term in Year 4.
We hope you find the following information
in this booklet helpful for the coming Autumn
term.

Autumn Term 2025

Gilbert's Glow-Worms (4G-W) will be taught
by Miss Gilbert every day except alternate
Mondays where they will have Mrs Bishop.
Goddard's Goldfinches (4G) will be taught by
Miss Goddard every day except alternate
Mondays and Wednesday afternoons where
they will have Mrs Godrich.

The school gates open at 8:40am and register
will be taken at 8:50am.

Children are expected to wear the correct
school uniform, including black shoes or black
trainers, a white polo shirt, school sweatshirt
and grey skirt/trousers. Children can wear a
plain, stud earring if they wish. Hairbands
should be plain and no other jewellery should
be worn.

At Home

Reading is vitally important at home, so please
can you continue to read with your child at
least three times per week, which is in line
with our school reading policy. Please
comment in their reading record book and
return the book to school so they can be
checked. If your child is reading long, chapter
books then the record book can be completed
each time they read a chapter. Please can your
child's reading record be in their bag everyday
so staff can access these if needed.

We are planning lots of exciting reading
activities this year and hope to promote a real
love of reading in Year 4.

In Year 4 the children must do an online times
tables test which is statutory in the summer
term, therefore supporting your child at home
by regularly practicing times tables is vitally
important. Times tables knowledge underpins
so many other areas of the maths curriculum
and so it is vital that all children can recall their
times tables and related division facts rapidly.
There are lots of options for practising: TT
Rockstars, creating a game/chant or quick-fire
questions with someone at home.

Your child will be learning spelling techniques
and patterns in school. In addition, they will
also be learning the common exception words.



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Year 4 Staff

Miss Gilbert
Miss Goddard
Miss Hitch (Phase Leader)
Mrs Dobson
Mrs C
Miss Johnson
Mrs Pugh
Mrs Godrich
Mrs Bishop



What are we learning this half term?

In English, this half term our focus text will be *A Christmas Carol* by Charles Dickens. We will be writing a narrative for this text. We will also be looking at the *Mary Poppins* by P.L. Travers. We will be developing our vocabulary so we can use ambitious vocabulary when we are writing.

Alongside our English teaching, we will be learning key grammar features from the Year Four curriculum. In reading, we will be using VIPERS, which is a range of reading prompts to develop skills such as using vocabulary, inference and making predictions. We will also be continuing to develop our reading fluency in our reading groups.

In Maths, we are looking at multiplication, division and area. We will also be continuing to work hard on increasing the speed and fluency of our times tables.

In History, we will be learning about the Romans. We will be exploring how the Romans changed Britain.

In Science, we will be learning about teeth. We will explore why teeth are important and the digestive system.

Key Texts

Year Four's class novel will be *Mary Poppins* by P.L. Travers and *A Christmas Carol* by Charles Dickens.

Reading scrapbook

As part of developing our love of reading, one child in each class will bring home a reading scrapbook for two days. We ask that this is returned promptly to allow every child to have the opportunity to complete the scrapbook. In this, they will create a scrapbook page to recommend a book they have read to their friends. These will then be shared with the whole class.

Dates for diary

Year 3 & 4 Christmas Production – Thursday 18th December

Residential - Monday 1st June - Wednesday 3rd June

PE Days

Our P.E day this half term will be Thursday. Children need to be prepared to be outdoors for PE every week.

On P.E. day, children should come to school in their PE kit, which is as follows: plain white t-shirt, school jumper, black shorts, leggings or jogging bottoms and plain trainers. PE will be both inside and outside throughout the year so children should be prepared for all weathers.

Jewellery should not be worn during PE lessons. Earrings that can't be removed (due to newly pierced ears) should be taped over.

What to bring to school

- Water bottle
- School bags
- Reading records
- Home reading books

Contact

For concerns or queries relating to your child's learning, speak to one of the Year 4 class teachers or Miss Hitch (Phase Leader). The easiest method is to speak to one of us at the end of the school day. However, you can also contact us via the below email address:

LKS2@tnhps.rklt.co.uk

Other concerns relating to absence, school uniform, lunches etc. should be directed to the school office.