

Welcome

Dear Parents and Carers,
We have had a lovely start to the new year in Year 4! Thank you for your continued support, it is much appreciated. We hope you find the following information in this booklet helpful. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask Miss Gilbert or Miss Goddard.

Spring 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 where they will have Mrs Godrich.
Alternate Wednesday afternoon 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 have to do an online times tables test which is statutory in the summer term, therefore supporting your child at home by regularly practising 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 and will need to practise these rules at home. In addition, they will also be learning the common exception words.



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Year 4 Staff

Miss Gilbert
Miss Goddard
Mr Weatherley (Phase
Leader)
Miss Johnson
Mrs C
Mrs Dobson



What are we learning this half term?

In English, this half term our focus text will be *The Wild Robot* by Peter Brown and *Arthur and the Golden Rope* by Joe Todd Stanton. We will be writing a newspaper report and a narrative. We will also be developing our vocabulary so we can use ambitious vocabulary when we are writing.

Alongside our English teaching, we will be recapping 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.

In Maths, we will be continuing our work on fractions. 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 Anglo Saxon and Viking Britain.

In Science, we will be finishing our learning about states of matter and how the water cycles works. We will then be moving onto Sound and learning how sound travels.

Key Texts

Year Four's class novel will be *The Wild Robot* by Peter Brown and *Arthur and the Golden Rope* by Joe Todd Stanton

Reading scrapbook

As part of developing our love of reading, one child in year 4 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

Residential Parents' Meeting – Monday 9th March 2026

York Visit – Tuesday 24th March 2026

Residential – Monday 1st June 2026 – Wednesday 3rd June 2026.

P.E Days

Our P.E day this half term will be a Tuesday.

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 Mr Weatherley (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.