



YEAR GROUP 4 AUTUMN TERM 2019 CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you have had a restful summer break. We look forward to an exciting Autumn Term. We will be starting our new knowledge based curriculum and we will be sending home the knowledge organisers that go alongside certain subjects.

Maths	During the term the children will be working on place value; including ordering and comparing numbers, rounding and estimating numbers, develop mental fluency of addition and subtraction, factors, problem solving, formal written method of multiplication and division, units of measure, time graphs and perimeter. Throughout the year we will have a large focus on times tables and associated facts in preparation for a statutory times tables assessment at the end of the year.
English	To begin our term we will look at the story <i>The Iron Man</i> . This will be used to inspire us to write our own suspense narrative. To link in with our Science unit, we will research and write a report. Lastly, we will look at and write riddles.
Geography	In Geography the children will be exploring lines of longitude and latitude, the prime meridian line, the tropics of cancer and Capricorn and the northern and southern hemisphere. We will also be exploring our local area and how it has changed over time.
History	In the second half of term we will be looking at our local area, this will include Elstree Studios, Ivanho Castle and Borehamwood's growth from rural to urban.
Science	In Science the children will learn about Sound including how sound is made, vibrations and how sound travels. In the second half of term will look at Animals including humans, this will include teeth and the digestive system in humans, and food chains.
Art	In Art the children will be looking at light this includes drawing and shading 3D objects. In the second half of term we will look at art space, this includes dimensions, 3D and 2D, foreground and background, middle ground.
RE	The children will be learning about what Hindu's believe about God and God's. We will then look at how Christians celebrate Christmas in different countries and how Hindu's celebrate Diwali.
Computing	We will look at esafety and then use a variety of software programmes to develop an interactive educational game. In the second half of term we will be prototyping and interactive toy.
PE	The children will be doing dance in the first half of term and then we will move onto gymnastics.

PE- Please be reminded that children will need a P.E. Kit in school at all times. This should be black shorts, a plain white t-shirt and plimsolls.

Uniform- Please ensure your child has the correct uniform and footwear. Earrings should be studs and no jewellery should be worn unless faith related.

Water- Children may bring a bottle of water each day, they also have access to the drinking fountain at all playtimes.

Home Learning- Your child is expected to read daily at home. Please ensure that you listen to them read and sign their reading diary. Children will be set weekly spellings and will be tested on a Monday. A choice of homework will be set termly and children should strive to complete as many of the activities as they can, we look forward to viewing and celebrating their work.

If you have any questions please feel free to come and speak to us at the end of the day.

Kind Regards,

Year 4 Team