



Autumn 2024nd Half Term – Year 4

Welcome back to the second half of the Autumn Term. We hope you had an enjoyable but restful break and feel ready for the busy term ahead. We have lots of exciting learning planned. Please find details of this below.

As we move into winter all children are expected to have a warm, waterproof coat with them in school every day and a labelled Hilltop water bottle.

Change to PE days:

Monday and Wednesday – Heather, Sundew and Bracken

English

- ★ **Writing** - the children will spend this half term focusing on the story of The Egyptian Cinderella with a technical focus on speech. They will also have a chance to show off their Egyptian learning in the style of a Non-Chronological report.
- ★ **Reading**- our home reading aim is for children to be heard reading at least four times a week, if they do this across ten weeks they will earn their bronze reading badge. Our class reading text will continue to be Secrets of a Sun King by Emma Carroll.
- ★ **Spellings** – please continue to support your child with their five weekly spellings in their blue spelling books.

Maths

- ★ **Addition and subtraction**
Our main focus during this half term will be building up to adding and subtracting four digit numbers with exchanging. Year 4 pupils will start with practising adding and subtracting mentally to build on those fluency skills of number knowledge. They will then move to using practical resources and an array of strategies to add and subtract.
- ★ **Multiplication and division**
Pupils will focus on the multiples and division facts of the 3, 6, 7, 9, 11 and 12 times tables. They will then look at the pattern of multiplying and dividing by 1 and itself.
- ★ **TTRockstars**
Continue to play our KS2 battle and practise on 'soundcheck.'

Foundation Subject focus areas

- ★ **History:**
Egypt – Pharaohs, pyramids and beliefs
- ★ **Computing:**
Online safety and computer systems and networks
- ★ **RE:**
Christianity: Christian art
- ★ **PE:**
Badminton
- ★ **PSHE:**
Safety
- ★ **DT Week focus:**
Textiles
- ★ **Science:**
Electricity
- ★ **Music:**
Developing singing techniques
- ★ **French:**
Clothes and getting dressed

Foundation Subject *big questions* can be found on the school website.

Team Heathland reminders for this half term

- ★ Thursday 28th and Friday 29th November – Elfridges
- ★ Monday 2nd to Friday 6th December – DT week
- ★ Tuesday 10th December – Panto
- ★ Monday 16th December – Carols by candlelight
- ★ Tuesday 17th December – Christmas lunch
- ★ Wednesday 18th December – Christmas parties
- ★ Thursday 19th December – 1pm finish

Many thanks for your support
Team Heathland