Year 4: Meerkats Spring Newsletter January 2026



Welcome Back

We must start by saying thank you for the kind and thoughtful gifts you gave at the end of last term; gifts are never expected, but are always appreciated, thank you.

The Autumn term was a great success in Year 4. The class have shown a superb attitude to learning and have completed a variety of interesting lessons together. I have to say one of my personal highlights was the cooking the children did as part of their DT work- I thought their reviews of some ingredients (garlic and basil especially) were interesting and direct. I was pleased that even if the dishes weren't to everybody's taste, each child did give them a go. Who knows- maybe we have a chef or two in the class!



The Year 4 team are excited as we embark upon our Spring term and hope to have even more success!

So, what's coming up this term?

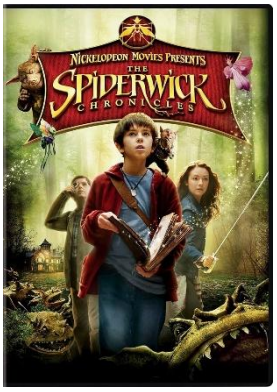
Blue Abyss

We will be looking at an in-depth study of the oceans in our topic lessons this term. We have planned a variety of lessons, which focus on the important issues and topics currently facing our oceans and marine life.

Art will also feature heavily, with lots of different creative mediums and a focus on the work of Turner.

The curriculum

In Maths, this half term, we will be focusing on multiplication, division, graphs, fractions and time. We'll also have the opportunity to go over a couple of topics pupils found a bit tricky during the Autumn term. Times tables have shown great improvements so far this year; it has been fantastic to see so many pupils 'going green'! Even if times tables are good, keeping up the practice to improve recall speed and accuracy.



Our English lessons will involve a fantasy novel study (Spiderwick Chronicles) and a persuasive writing unit. Both will focus on reading, writing, using key features and developing creativity.

Science will include the beginning of our "Sound" lessons. We will also continue to explore Music in our lessons every Wednesday as well as spellings and handwriting.

Our PE lessons will continue to take place on **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays**. We will attempt to go outside wherever possible so please ensure correct kit is worn to each lesson.



In computing, the children will get hands on with programming as they learn to control our Edison Robots; getting them to follow basic code initially, before more challenging, experimental tasks are tackled.

We look forward to another exciting term and, as ever, if you have and questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind Regards,

Miss Verma and Mr. Passmore.