

Burlish Park Primary

Year 4 Newsletter

Spring Term 2019

Welcome back! We hope you had an enjoyable break and are ready for the spring term!

Our Topic

Our topic next half term will be the Amazing Ancient Greeks! Year 4 will be learning all about how the Ancient Greeks lived and their many remarkable inventions!

English

This term, in English, we will be reading a range of narratives and focusing on writing creative settings and plots. Through this unit of work, we will be teaching the children a range of skills that they can then apply independently in their writing. We will be exploring the use correct use of paragraphs and how the children can organise their paragraphs around a theme. Additionally, there will be an emphasis on proof reading work, editing and improving, to ensure that the children are consistent in with their use of spelling and punctuation.

Maths

You can continue to support your child at home by practising mental addition and subtraction, division, fractions and telling the time.



Don't forget to use the Times Table Rockstars at home! (www.ttrockstars.com) The children have been learning their times tables at school, but it is very important that children practise at home. By the end of Year 4, children should know up to and including 12×12 . So keep it up!

Please remember that children are tested each week on their times tables. These need to be practised at home daily!

Other Subjects

Computing. - E-safety, Digital Media and Animation

Science - Animals including Humans

Topic - Ancient Greeks

P.E. - Target games and invasion games

R.E. - Journeys in religion

French - Building on basic vocabulary, including numbers and greetings

Physical Education

P.E. takes place every Monday and Tuesday. Please ensure that they have their PE kit in school on these days as we do not have spare clothing to lend the children.



All PE kit needs to be named, including trainers. Children need: a white t-shirt or house t-shirt, navy or black shorts, a navy or black tracksuit, spare socks and trainers.

Staging

Mr Lindley and Mrs Kelly-Edwards will teach the children on Tuesday afternoons.

School Jumpers

Please ensure that all jumpers (and clothing in general) have your child's name in. The children regularly visit other classrooms during the school day and it is almost impossible to reunite them if they have no name label.

Please ensure that your child attends wearing appropriate uniform every day.



Reminders

- Children need their reading book and reading diary in school every day.
- Please remember to provide your child with a water bottle.
- Children's lunchtime begins at 12.25pm. Please provide them with **fruit** to eat mid-morning as most children benefit from a healthy break-time snack.
- Parents/carers need to book and pay for school lunches on Parentpay by midnight on Tuesday for the following week. Please see the office if you need any help with Parentpay.

Homework

English and Maths: Issued Tuesday, returned by Monday.

Spellings: Issued every Tuesday, group quiz on Monday.

Times Tables: Practise at home, tested on Monday.

And finally...

THANK YOU for your help and support. As ever, please feel free to approach us with any concerns or ideas, preferably at the end of the school day after we have dismissed all of the children.

Miss Ramsden - 4R Class Teacher

Mrs Thomas - 4T Class Teacher

Teaching Assistants

Mrs Batsford, Mrs Bowen and Mr Roberts