



Year Four Summer Newsletter April, 2025



Welcome back to you all! We hope you had a fantastic Easter Break!

Website Reminder

To keep you up to date with useful and helpful information regarding dates and activities, as well as with your child's learning, achievements and progress, we will be continually updating our website throughout the term. To access this information, make sure you visit the class pages on the academy website regularly. Find us at: www.oldcleprimaryacademy.co.uk then click the 'Children' tab, followed by 'Year Group' and Year 4.

Social Media Reminder

We are now using our school media account more frequently, so please follow us on Facebook (@Old Clee Primary Academy), to see what the children have been up to! Another great place to look is the News and Events section of our school website as this is updated regularly with all the fabulous things we get up to!



Curriculum

This summer term in Maths, Year Four will be exploring the concept of fractions, symmetry in 2D shapes, time and division with remainders. In addition to this, we will be working hard to consolidate the children's times table knowledge in anticipation of the National Times Table Tests, for all children in Year 4, during June.

In English, there will be plenty of opportunities for the children to engage in reading- in our class ERIC time (both 1:1 with the class teacher, and independently), and within BUG Club sessions where the children will delve into the stories within 'Myths of the Sea anthology', as well as a fictional book which revolves around a rich and a poor town called 'A Tale of Two Poggles'.

In our writing sessions, we will be focusing on learning, using and applying a range of different SPaG skills, specifically linking to the fictional book of 'Beyond The Stars' by Sarah Webb, as well as planning and creating a range of poems based on the poetry book 'The Works' by Pie Corbett.

In addition to this, we will be moving onto learning all about the 'Vicious' Vikings in History! In Geography, we will also continue to delve further into North America, different Landscapes and International Trade. In Science, the children will be continuing to learn about classification of different animals, as well as food chains in Biology, investigating evaporation and condensation in Chemistry, and understanding the differences between conductors and insulators in Physics. In Art, we will be moving onto our brand-new artist called 'Robert McCall' and learning about his artistic techniques, which enable people to visualise the human race in space, as well as learning about and investigating app control within programming in Design Technology.

As always, the children will also be learning how to be a SUPERB citizen each week in Personal Development (Self-Aware, Unique, Problem Solving, Empathetic, Responsible and Benevolent).



Homework, Spelling, Times tables and KIRFS

Your child will be continuing to bring homework home each Friday. The homework will be 10 spelling words and Maths Key Instant Recall Facts (KIRFS, fortnightly). These can be found in your child's home/school contact book. Your child will also have personal times tables set on TT Rock Stars each week. Please also encourage them to recall these out loud and in a random order.

This is especially important in Year 4, as soon, in June, the children will take part in the National Government Multiplication Check. Thank you for your continued support with this- we know how busy home life can be!

P.E.

All children will need to attend school in **appropriate outdoor kit (plain navy or black) every Wednesday and every Thursday**. Earrings will also need to be removed prior to the P.E. session as for health and safety reasons, this cannot be done by a member of staff or another child in the class, so please manage this at home. Please also be mindful of the weather, and choose appropriate kit to send your child in.

Water bottles

We recommend that all children bring a clearly labelled water bottle in to school daily. This must contain fresh water only. For hygiene reasons, they must be taken home, washed and refilled daily. They can be refilled during the school day but anything other than water will not be allowed to be consumed unless you can provide written medical evidence from your GP. On receiving this, you will then need to fill in a Medical Health Care plan. If your child has a packed lunch, a second drink should be included. However, no fizzy drinks are allowed to be brought into school. Children having school lunches will be provided with water.

Dates for your Diary

Every Wednesday and Thursday: Children to attend in PE kit.

Every Friday: Spellings and KIRFs given out. (KIRFs every fortnight)

Thursday 8th May: VE Day celebrations

Week Beginning 23rd June: 'Sports Day' week (date TBC)

Tuesday 3rd June: Year 4 National Multiplication Tests

Kindest Regards,
The Year Four Teaching Team.

