



Welcome to Year 4

Miss Whittington, Miss Whittaker and
Miss Greve

Meet the Team!

Morpurgo Class

Miss
Whittington
Miss McDonagh

Strong Class

Miss Whittaker
Ms Rowell (Mon/Tues)
Ms Feuer (Weds/Thurs)

Pratchett Class

Miss Greve
Miss Powley

Mrs Locke
Mrs Betts

A Typical Day

8:50 - 9:00am	Registration Starter-Daily times table test
9:00 - 9:30am	Guided Reading
9:30 - 10:30am	English
10:30 - 10:50am	Break
10:50 - 11:50am	Maths
11:50 - 12:15am	Handwriting or Spellings
12:15 - 1:15pm	Lunch
1:15 - 2:15pm	Computing
2:15 - 3:00pm	Topic
3:00 - 3:15pm	Class reader & Home Time



English

During our daily English sessions, we will build in GPS (Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling) practice. This includes:

- ❖ Sentence structure
- ❖ Vocabulary choices
- ❖ How we use punctuation
- ❖ Sound patterns/phonics

In writing, we will be studying a variety of fiction, non-fiction and poetry. Topics will include, Africa, Climate change action, Egyptians, Vikings, Anglo Saxons

Year 4 English outcomes

- ❖ Increase the legibility, consistency and quality of their handwriting- pen licence
- ❖ Using commas after fronted adverbials (Later that day,)
- ❖ Using and punctuating direct speech
- ❖ Choosing effective vocabulary



Outcomes in Reading

By the end of Year 4, your child should be able to:

- ❖ listen to and discuss a wide range of fiction, poetry, plays, non-fiction and reference books or textbooks.
- ❖ use dictionaries to check the meaning of words that they have read
- ❖ draw inferences such as inferring characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their actions, and justifying inferences with evidence



Reading at home

It's undeniable that a child's reading skills are important to their success in school, work, and life in general.

❖ **Reading supports cognitive development**

Reading to young children is proven to improve and help along the process of cognitive development. Cognitive development is the ability to think and understand; includes remembering, problem solving, and decision-making.

20 Minutes a day.
Reading record signed Sunday to Thursday



Spelling at home

Please support your child at home to learn their spellings. This can be done in a variety of ways, including:

- Look, cover, write, check
 - Sounding out, using phonics
 - Finding words within words (root words)
 - Chunking the word into syllables
 - Rainbow and pyramid writing
- ❖ Year 3/4 spelling word list



Maths



Mastery
Approach to
learning

- Problem solving skills
- Mental arithmetic
- Written skills
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Areas covered include: number, addition and subtraction, multiplication and division, fractions, geometry, measures and statistics.

Children will apply these skills to different scenarios throughout to help deepen their understanding and show how mathematics is used in everyday situations.



Multiplication times table test

Government has introduced a new online multiplication times table check for 8 and 9 year olds.

- ❖ Recall multiplication tables up to 12×12
- ❖ Needs to be able to recall times tables at random quickly
- ❖ Times Table Rock Stars

Afternoon Sessions

Enquiry-based
learning

Afternoon sessions will consist of:

- Science
- Computing
- History
- Geography
- Music
- French
- R.E.
- PSHE
- PE/ Swimming

Topics will include.

- ❖ River deep Mountain high
- ❖ City Scapes
- ❖ Anglo Saxons
- ❖ Viking Invasion
- ❖ Crazy Cartography
- ❖ Ancient Egyptians



P.E.

Each class will have one lesson of P.E. a week taught by their class teacher. Across the year we will cover football and tag rugby, basketball, netball, dance, gym, athletics and swimming.

Please make sure your child brings their full P.E. kit as it is important that they take part in all P.E. lessons.

In the winter, please ensure that your child has warm clothing and trainers for outdoor P.E. lessons in addition to their indoor kit.

Morpurgo -Miss Whittington- Thursday

Strong -Miss Whittaker-Thursday

Pratchett -Miss Greve- Monday

Swimming

Year 4 will attend swimming lessons every Wednesday afternoon. Please ensure that earrings and jewellery are taken off and hair is tied back. Girls must wear full swimsuits and boys must wear swimming shorts which are above the knee.

- If child forgets swim kit- school will ring home
 - Spare swim kits are used if no kit
 - Inform an adult if your child isn't swimming
 - Goggles allowed
- ❖ **Aim is to swim 25m by year 6**



Homework

Homework is set on a Friday and it is due in on the following Thursday.

- Mini maths-marked in class
- Spelling test -Friday.
- Times tables practice sheets/ Times Table Rock Stars
- Topic/Science homework will be sent out once a half term.

High expectations

If homework is handed in late or incomplete, this will result in a loss of break or golden time.



Reading at Home

- Children on level books take a school reader to read at home
- Children who are Free Readers can choose to take home books from the book corner or read books from home.

They should read for at least 20 minutes per day and have their Reading Record signed by an adult everyday.

- Reading Plus at home
- Reading certificates-18 times read= new certificate

Google Classroom



What kind of things can your child do on there?

- Access spelling, English, maths, science, topic homework
- Click on links posted by the teacher
- Watch helpful videos (e.g. Youtube links to times table songs)
- Research topics
- Children can upload work using Google Docs/ Slides and 'share' to their teacher

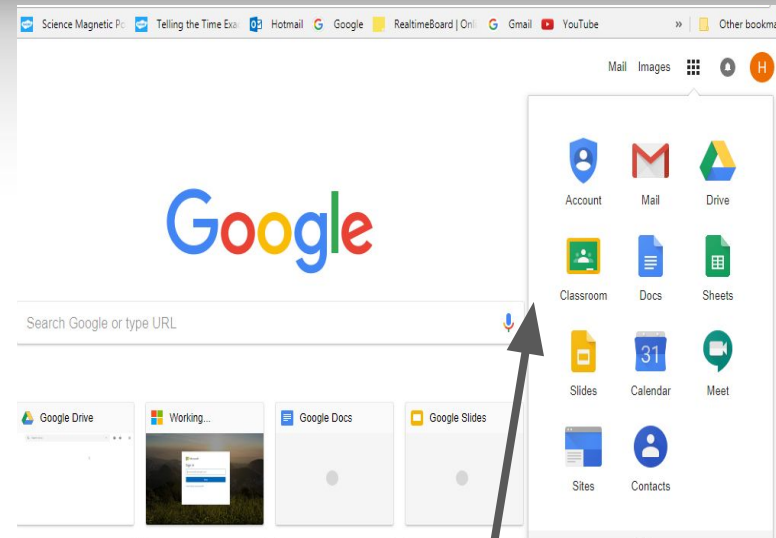
Online Classroom Supports:

- Classroom learning
- Homework
- Extra home learning to Support class work

When your child starts in Year 4, they will be taught how to use the Google Classroom during ICT.

How does it work from home?

1. Open Google Chrome
2. Students use their school email to log into their Google account
3. Either search through Google or use the waffle to open Google Classroom



Uniform

Skirt - knee lengths

Trousers - black or grey

Shirt - white, polo or buttons

Jumpers/ Cardigans - red, school logo preferably

Fleece - Red

Shoes - black (trainers without logo / black) no boots.

Raincoats

No jojo bows, jewellery, nail varnish

PE Kits:

White t-shirt (not polo shirt)

black shorts/joggers (Winter)

Trainers / plimsolls

School / red fleece

Every item
clearly
labelled.

Including lunch boxes >

Snacks

Healthy
Snacks
only

Fruit /
vegetables

No
chocolate
/crisps /
no nuts




Year 4 Trips

Autumn term- St Nicholas litter pick up- Design Technology
26th September

Spring term- Hindu Manor trip- Watford- RE
11th February 2020

Summer term- Wymondley Wood Overnight Residential Trip
8th-10th July 2020

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Good to be green

All pupils will receive positive praise for behaving well and acting as a role model for others.

Headteachers Award

Star of the Week

Reading Certificates

Every child will be given opportunities to turn their behaviour around. If not a child will receive an AMBER CARD. If their behaviour does not improve after more warnings they will receive a RED CARD. A red means a serious consequence/loss of Golden Time.

A text message will be sent home to parents/carers.



We would welcome any volunteers to help
with swimming regularly.

Any questions?