

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are so pleased to see the children back and enthusiastic to learn following their Half term ! If you have any questions, as always, please come and speak to us.

Summer 1 in Year 4				
Our topic is: Water Pollution				
English	Maths	Science	Geography	Spanish
This half term we are going to be focusing on writing persuasive writing and recognising different types of poetry as well as writing a descriptive diary having as a main topic water pollution.	The main focus in maths this half term will be fractions and fractions greater than 1.	In science year 4, students will learn about states of matter and how to compare and group materials according to whether they are solids, liquids or gases. They will explore the physical properties of these states, such as volume, shape, and compressibility, and learn about the molecular structure of each state.	The focus of year 4 geography in summer 1 will be to expand children's understanding of physical geography, and help them develop key skills in using maps, identifying patterns, and comparing different processes.	This term we will be focusing on foods, numbers 31-100, prices and opinions as well as recapping the last term already known language.
PE	DT	Music	Computing	PSHE
PE this term will be on Monday for both Lions and Tigers and on Wednesday both Tigers and Lions will be participating in cricket lessons.	In summer 1, year 4 Design and Technology (DT) will focus on textiles and the topic of Archimedes. Students will learn about inventors, designers, engineers, chefs, and manufacturers who have developed groundbreaking products.	In summer 1, year 4 will have a strong focus on music and language learning through musical instruments. Students will have their first access to stringed instruments, specifically the ukulele. The focus of these classes will be on developing listening skills and understanding of string repertoire in Music.	This term in computing we are going to be focusing on how we can properly edit media and how to manipulate digital images.	In summer 1, year 4 PSHE (Personal, Social, Health and Economic) education classes will focus on the theme of "Living in the Wider World". Students will explore important topics related to this theme such as rights and responsibilities, money management, and taking care of the environment.

How can I help my child at home?

Websites

There are lots of fun games to help with our learning on the internet, that can be accessed on a tablet or home computer.

Useful websites:

TT Rock Stars

www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize

www.topmarks.co.uk

Home Help!

Reading and Book Talk:

Reading is an important part of learning and developing children's vocabulary and language skills, therefore we encourage you to read with your child at home. It provides a great opportunity for you and your child to talk, and share ideas and thoughts about what they have read.

We want children to be happy and enthusiastic readers, and hope that children are able to read a variety of genres to broaden their reading experiences. Please don't forget, whenever you read at home your child should fill in a section of their Reading Booklet. As well as home-school reading books, anything that children read can count towards entries on the card. We would love to see the amount of booklets we receive increase this term.

Home Reading Books

During Summer 1, we will be continuing to set homeschool reading books online at www.activelearnprimary.co.uk. Student logins will be provided in the front of Homework Books.

Homework, home-reading and PE.

A homework grid will be sent out at the beginning of half term. Each week your child can choose an activity from this grid and complete it.

Homework books are to be handed in every

Monday.