

## Curriculum Letter for Year 4 - Spring Term 2 2026

### [General Information](#)

We hope you all had a lovely half term break and are ready for a busy and exciting second half to our Spring term ahead! This half term, 4W continue their Tree of Life workshops, run by PINS (Partnerships for Inclusion in Schools). We also look forward to all things book-related on World Book Day, as well as some children taking part in the Enfield Cross Country competition.

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**Maths:** Our first unit will be on Decimals. This unit will span several weeks and includes key learning about rounding decimals, recognising equivalences and multiplying and dividing using decimal numbers. We end the term learning about area and perimeter. We will be calculating the perimeter of rectangles and compound shapes. The children will be practising their times tables using the iPads, as this is how the national Multiplication Tables Check will be administered in June.

**All children are expected to know their times tables up to 12x12 by the end of Y4 for the National test.**

**English:** We start the new term studying the text '*Odd and the Frost Giants*' by Neil Gaiman, which looks at the idea of taking courage – one of our school values. Throughout the unit, we will be writing character and setting descriptions and recounting key events from a narrative. This leads us into writing our own mythical narrative from an alternative perspective. We then move on to the wonderful book '*Shackleton's Journey*' by William Grill, delving into the theme of exploration and journey. Our final written outcome is a newspaper report, focusing on the layout and content of a tabloid newspaper.

**Science:** This half term, we will be exploring our unit 'Teeth and Eating'. We will be looking at different types of teeth in humans and their simple functions. We then move on to exploring the functions of the basic parts of the digestive system in humans. Finally, we move onto food chains including producers, predators and prey.

**Geography:** This term, the children will learn about Rivers and the Water Cycle, which explores the journey of the River Thames. We will focus on the features of a river and how it links to the water cycle. To consolidate this, we will be going on a local river walk in Enfield Town. On our walk, we will be following the New River path to study its journey and features.

**DT:** The unit this half term is *Textiles* focusing on Fastenings. We will analyse and evaluate a range of existing fastenings, then devise a list of design criteria. After that, we will design and generate templates then make a fabric book sleeve.

**RE:** This half term, we are learning about Christianity, studying Holy Communion and how it builds a Christian community. We consider the importance of the Last Supper and Jesus' legacy.

**PSHE:** This term we will be looking at '*Citizenship*' which involves learning about Human Rights and caring for the environment. We consider the importance of groups in the community and how those groups make contributions to society. We finish by looking at local government and understanding the role they play in our community. Our additional circle time sessions will focus on respect for others and the way we speak and behave towards each other.

**Music:** Our unit for this term is focused around one song: *Stop!* We will listen to and appraise the song 'Stop' and other songs. We will also build on our knowledge and understanding of rhythm, pitch and notation, as well as learning to rap!

**French:** Our unit this term is '*Au salon de thé.*' By the end of this unit pupils will have the knowledge and skills necessary to perform a short role-play in a French tea room. We will learn a wide variety of foods, snacks, and drinks.



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**Class Read:** Our class read for this half term is *Planet Omar* by Zanib Mian. If you have the book at home, please bring it in to follow alongside the teacher.

### PE Days

Outdoor PE is timetabled for Tuesdays. All children must wear their PE kits to school. We also have indoor PE on Thursday. Indoor PE kits will stay in school.

### Reading and Spellings

Please continue to make time to read with your child and for your child to be read to, also. We will also be teaching spelling patterns and rules in class. Please continue to go through the Year 3/4 Spelling Word List with your child at home.

### Homework

Homework will be set every Friday on *Microsoft Teams* and is due in the following Wednesday. Children may also be set homework on MyMaths or Purple Mash – this will be indicated on the work set on *Teams*.

### Key Dates

PTA AGM (annual general meeting)	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> March at 8pm
World Book Day (dress up)	Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> March
Online Parent meetings	4W – 17 <sup>th</sup> and 19 <sup>th</sup> March 4B – In April. Dates to be confirmed
PTA Funky Hair Day	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March
End of term	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March – term ends at 2pm
Start of summer term	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April