



# Year 3 & 4 Curriculum News

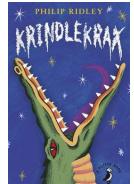


## Welcome

It has been a lovely start to the new school year, with the majority of the children settling in really quickly and really well. We believe the partnership between parents, children and school is essential and we look forward to seeing you in the morning and at the end of the day. Please feel free to pop and speak to us if you have any questions or concerns.

## English

This term in writing we will be focusing on myths and legends and non-chronological reports. In reading we will be reading a whole class text called 'The Krindlekrax'. The children will continue to bring home reading books to practise their comprehension skills, as well as their fluency, accuracy and expression. Please write in the planner when your child has read at home, we aim for at least 4 times a week.



The children will also bring home spellings to learn each week. The focus of these words throughout the year is the Year 4 common exception words. These are words they are expected to be able to spell by the end of Year 4 in their independent writing. There will not be a formal spelling test, but during that week the children will be expected to apply the spelling pattern to their work.

## Maths

In Maths, the children will be looking at place value. We will build upon knowledge already gained and deepen their understanding, enabling them to access all other areas of maths more competently. We will then be looking at addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. Year 4 will also look at length and perimeter.



## R.E

This year the whole school will be learning about Judaism and significant festivals and celebrations of this religion. We are going to be finding out about Sukkot and making

comparisons with our Harvest Festival. Later we will learn about Hanukah and Christmas.

Our area of learning this term in RE is 'Belonging' and we will be thinking about what it means to belong to a group or faith.

## P.E

This term the children will have Outdoor Games and Gymnastics. A polite reminder that children require both an indoor and outdoor P.E. kit in school. They do require trainers as part of their outdoor P.E. kit. Please could they bring their kits to school on a Monday morning and leave in them in school for the week. If children have pierced ears, their earrings will need to be removed on this day or they will need to have them covered with tape. As the weather gets colder, please ensure that the children will be warm enough in their outdoor clothes.



Y3 P.E. will be on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays.

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## Science

This term the focus of our Science is investigating 'Rocks and Fossils'. The children will carry out simple investigations, making predictions and drawing conclusions. We will then learn about animals, including humans. We will explore and use classification keys to help group, identify and name a variety of living things in their local and wider environment. The children will be encouraged to think scientifically, ask scientific questions, gather, record and present data.



## I.C.T

The children will be using laptops to develop their keyboard knowledge and word processing skills. iPads will also be used to enhance learning.



## MFL

In Y3, the children will begin to develop their knowledge of Modern Foreign Languages specialising in French. In Year 4 the children will continue to develop their understanding by learning more complex phrases. They will also begin to apply their skills in social situations.



## Outdoor Learning

Every week the children will complete at least one lesson outdoor, regardless of the weather. Please ensure that your child comes to school with appropriate clothing suitable for all weather conditions.