



Curriculum Newsletter











Year 4 Spring 2025

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This is a summary of the learning programme for your child this term:

	English	In English lessons, we will be exploring a range of texts linked to our 'Mighty Midlands' topic. These texts will be used to model writing and extend skills in grammar, vocabulary and spelling. In Year 4, we will continue to develop your child's fluency in reading and their comprehension skills. Children will take part in weekly guided reading sessions, focussing on the key skills they need to progress.
	Maths	In maths lessons, we will be continuing our work on multiplication and division, using our knowledge of tables facts to help multiply and divide using formal written methods, and later in the term in our work on fractions and decimals. We will also be covering time in our measurement topic this term. The learning will be supported with lots of practical equipment and opportunities to apply skills to problem solving and reasoning. Please encourage your child to practise their times tables at home using the TT Rock Stars and URBrainy websites in preparation for the Multiplication Check in June.
	Topic	During our Mighty Midlands topic, children will learn about the Industrial Revolution and how this changed Britain, the Midlands and the world for ever. We will also look at the Victorians and the technological advancements made during this time, with a focus on local history. Our Geography, Art and DT will also be linked to this topic.
	Science	Our science topics this term are Electricity and Sound. Children will investigate and build electrical circuits, as well as exploring electrical conductors and insulators. In our Sound topic, children will explore how sound is transmitted through sound waves, which links to last term's states of matter topic.
	Religious Education	In RE, children will explore similarities and differences between significant beliefs about God in Christianity and Islam, through the study of religious stories and festivals.
	Music	Whole class violin lessons are continuing this term and will be taught by Mrs Wheway from the DPA. Children will continue to develop their musical knowledge and understanding, reading musical notation and beginning to use fingering on the violin strings.
	PSHREE	In PSHREE, the children will learn about an issue connected to the wider world - money! They will also look at how they belong to a community. Our school values this term are Kindness and Happiness.
	Computing	The children will continue to develop their computer programming skills using Espresso. In addition to this, they will use the internet to research other curriculum areas. Conducting safe searches on-line and learning how to change privacy settings will be the E-safety focus this term.
	PE	PE will take place every Monday and Wednesday. During the first half term the children will be developing their gymnastic and teamwork skills. After half term, they will focus on improving the skills needed to play tennis and cricket.
	Modern Foreign Languages	In French this term, children will be learning to describe people's physical appearance, including height, hair and eye colour. Children will work on improving their understanding of both the spoken and written language as well as developing their pronunciation skills.

Important Dates: