

# Spring Newsletter

## English

### Year 3

This term, children will be learning how to organise their writing by using paragraphs to group related ideas together. They will also be introduced to the present perfect tense, learning how it is different from the simple past tense. Children will revisit and practise the punctuation skills taught in the Autumn term to help them write more accurately and confidently.

### Year 4

In addition to this, children will develop their understanding of verb tenses and learn how nouns and pronouns link to improve clarity.

We will be exploring different texts such as The Boy at the Back of the Class and Beowulf.

## Maths

### Year 3

This term, children will develop their understanding of multiplication and division by using practical resources, arrays and number lines. They will learn to represent calculations, understand sharing and grouping, and recall multiplication and division facts for the 2, 5 and 10 times tables.

### Year 4

This term, children will build on their multiplication and division skills by focusing on efficient methods and secure recall of times tables. They will practise multiplication and division facts up to  $12 \times 12$ , solve increasingly complex problems, and apply their knowledge to written methods and word problems.

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## Upcoming Events

W/C  
12/01

MTC practise (Year 4)

19/01

Visit to the Gurdwara

6/02

NSPCC Number day

9/02

Elm Class Worship

## Class success!

We have been working on presentation and handwriting, ensuring our work is neat and letters are correctly formed and consistently sized.

## PE DATES

Our PE days this term will be on:

Monday and Wednesday

## TTRS

Please continue to use TTRS (particularly Year 4 who will have the MTC in June and a practise W/C 12/01/2026)

# Foundation Subjects

### History - Anglo Saxons and Scots

Children will explore who the Anglo-Saxons and Scots were, why they came to Britain, and how they settled. They will learn about daily life, beliefs, invasions, and the impact these groups had on Britain. Pupils will develop historical enquiry skills by using sources, asking questions, and understanding how the past has shaped the country we live in today.

### Geography - Iceland

In Geography, we will investigate Iceland's dramatic landscape. They will learn about volcanoes, earthquakes, tectonic plates, and geysers, and discover why Iceland experiences so much geological activity. Map skills and understanding of physical geography will be developed through this exciting topic.

### Science - Solids, Liquids and Gases

This term, children will explore how materials change between solid, liquid, and gas. They will learn about melting, freezing, evaporation, and condensation through hands-on investigations. Pupils will also develop scientific skills such as observing, predicting, and recording results.

### PE - Gym and Football

In gymnastics, children will improve strength, balance, flexibility, and coordination by creating and performing sequences. In football, they will develop ball control, passing, teamwork, and game understanding while learning the importance of fair play and cooperation.

### Computing - Coder

Children will develop their digital skills by learning how to use technology safely and creatively. They will practise coding, problem-solving, and logical thinking while creating simple digital programs and designs.

### Art - Graffiti

In art, children will explore graffiti as a form of visual expression. They will study artists and styles, experiment with colour, line, and lettering, and create their own graffiti-inspired artwork while developing creativity and confidence.

### PSHE - Touch & Looking After Our World

Children will learn about personal boundaries and the importance of safe and respectful behaviour. They will also explore how to care for the environment, understanding how small actions can help protect the world around us.

### RE - What Can We Learn From a Gurdwara?

In RE, children will learn about Sikhism and the importance of the Gurdwara. They will explore key beliefs, symbols, and practices, including equality, community, and service. Pupils will reflect on what these values can teach us about how to live our own lives.

### DT - Electrical Systems: Torches

Pupils will learn how simple electrical circuits work. This project encourages problem-solving, creativity, and practical making skills.

### French

In French, children will be learning about shapes, building their vocabulary and practising accurate pronunciation. They will listen to and join in with songs, games and simple conversations, and begin to use basic phrases to name shapes and describe them, such as saying which shapes they like.

### Music

Music lessons will continue on a Monday.

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