



# Year 4 Information

## Autumn Term - 2018



Mrs Donovan



Mr Patel



Mr Isaaks

Dates for the diary	
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need day – Wear spotty clothing for a £1 charity donation
Thursday 22nd November 2018	Family Celebration Event – Guru Nanak’s Birthday
Wednesday 19th December 2018	Christmas Dinner
	Class Christmas Performance
Friday 21st December 2018	Christmas Parties in Class
	Last day of term

### Reading is Important

All pupils have a reading book which must be kept in their reading bag or folders and brought into school **every day**; they will need to change the book every Friday.

It is very important that your child brings in their book every day as we often provide opportunities to read in class. Pupils can change their book when they have finished it.

Pupils may also take a book from the book corner every week. A new book can be taken home only if the previous one is returned.

Please encourage your child to read, each day sit with them and talk to them about their book. They need to understand what they are reading – not just be able to read the words.

Try taking your child to the local library, it’s free to join and borrow books.

### Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club takes place every day in the Family Room from 8am to 9am at a cost of £2 per day. Call at the school office to arrange a place for your child.

### Home learning

Times tables and weekly spellings will be sent home and tested weekly at school. These need to be practised each night so that your child is fully prepared.

It would also be very helpful if you could teach your child to tie their shoelaces, tell the time and practise basic addition and subtraction through money when paying for items in a shop. This will help your child to connect the strategies that they have learnt in school with real life situations.

### Need to talk to your child’s teacher?

Remember – you don’t need to wait until Parents’ Evenings to talk to your child’s class teacher. Messages or information can be shared when you drop off /collect your child.

If you need a conversation, make an appointment – your child’s teacher will normally see you on the same day.

### Reminders

- Year 4 have P.E. on Mondays and Wednesdays. Please make sure they have their P.E. kits including trainers/plimsolls with them on these days and that it is not worn under their uniform. Jewellery must not be worn at school except for stud earrings which must be removed or covered with plasters for P.E.

- Please ensure ALL of your child’s clothing and shoes are labelled with their name. It is your child’s responsibility to keep their belongings safe.

- Remember school starts at 9.00am – don’t be late! Pupils may bring a bottle of water to drink during the day.

- Please make sure that your child is wearing appropriate clothing for the weather conditions (hat, scarf, gloves etc.)

### Educational Visits

We will be visiting the education centre in Hyde Park to take part in session called ‘Mission: Invertabrae’.



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## RE

### Why is The Bible Special?

This unit enables children to reflect on the deeper meanings of stories in the Bible, in particular: relationships, safety and danger, vulnerability and the 'hand of God' in human life. Pupils will think about their own interpretations and will be able to take note of Jewish, Muslim and Christian uses of the stories.

## FRENCH

### Buildings Around My Area

Children will learn the names of buildings and places typically found in towns. They will also further develop their conversational French to include asking for and giving directions.

## GEOGRAPHY

### Europe

By the end of this unit, children will have a sound understanding of the formation of countries which make up the continent of Europe.

Children will be taught to locate the countries of Europe on a map and to distinguish between them based on flag, currency etc. They will also be able to recall the capital cities of each country. Children will be given the opportunity to compare the capital cities of London and Paris including a comparison of their topographical features.

## PE

### Hockey

Children will be able to show control in tackling an opponent to gain possession and use a range of hockey skills to keep possession and control of the ball.

### Dance

Children will be able to use dance to communicate an idea. They will learn to improve and refine movements and perform a clear and fluent routine, and at times, take the lead when working with a partner or group. They will explain how their work is similar and different from that of others and use their comparison to improve their work.

### Health and Fitness

Children will be able to explain why keeping fit is good for their health.

## ART/DT

### Printing

This half term the Y4 students are carrying on with the topic of printing. They will finish their collagraph and produce a collagraph print from it. They will also explore other forms of printing by producing a series of monotypes, painting directly on to plexiglass.

## COMPUTING

### E-safety

Through discussion the children will learn how to stay safe online. The children will be given specific questions to discuss and will create a caption.

### Scratch – Maze Game

Scratch is a programming language where children can program interactive media. Children to use Scratch to create a simple maze game. This unit will develop their knowledge and understanding of Scratch. Children to continue to use language such as algorithms, debugging, sprite.

## SCIENCE

### Living Things and Their Habitats

Children will use classification keys to group, identify and name a variety of living things. They will recognise how changing environments can pose dangers to living things.

## MUSIC

### Celebrations

Children will prepare for the Christmas Show focusing on learning new songs, breathing and singing techniques, reading music notation and continue developing their performing skills. They will also learn songs about Diwali, Eid and Guru Nanak. They will also continue to learn to play the flutophone.