

YEAR 4 @ GST

SUMMER TERM NEWS



Message from Miss Maher

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome back for the summer term! I hope that you all had a restful Easter break. The children have settled back into school happily and are incredibly motivated to push their learning even further as they reach the end of Year 4.

It has been fantastic to hear about the children's engagement in their home learning over the Easter break. We have had lots of children jump tremendously with their Accelerated Reader word count and lots of green heatmaps on Times Table Rockstars. I am incredibly proud of the ownership that each child has taken over their learning.

This term, we will focus on preparing the children for their jump into Year 5. We have lots of exciting events happening this term - all of which have been carefully planned to ensure the children make the smoothest transition possible into the next academic year.

Best wishes, Miss Maher



Key days of the week

Mondays

Tuesdays

Wednesdays

PE

Thursdays

Homework due back into school

Fridays

PE

Spellings books due back into school
Spelling test

Reminders

- Please ensure your child's homework pack is in their bag each day.

Coming up for Year 4...

- A walk to the River Wyre on 29/4/25
- School trip to Blackburn Mosque and Cathedral on 26/6/25
- Sleepover in school!! 27/6/25
- Multiplication Tables Check w/c 16/6/25



Summer Term Learning

Further curriculum information is available [here](#)

This term, we have lots of exciting learning opportunities lined up. We have a final push on the children knowing their multiplication facts so it would be brilliant if their learning and practice of their times tables is continued to be consolidated and supported at home.

English

In English, the children will be writing a narrative based on the Mousehole Cat. In the second half term, we will be looking at Macavity and writing our own narrative poem.

Maths

In Maths, we will be continuing to look at decimals before moving on to topics including: money, time, shape, position & direction and statistics.

Science

The children will be learning about habitats and food chains during their science lessons, followed by a topic on digestion.

RE

The children will be looking at churches and the meaning of prayer. Their RE learning this term will be consolidated through our school trip to Blackburn mosque and cathedral.

History

We are learning about the big four Ancient Civilisations in history this term: Ancient Sumer, Ancient Egypt, The Indus Valley and The Shang Dynasty.

Geography

We will be consolidating our learning on rivers through a walk to the River Wyre to observe the flood defence alongside the natural features of the river.

Art and Design

Using Modroc, the children will create sculptures of food based on the works of Claes Oldenburg and Nicole Dyer.

Design and Technology

We will be evaluating, designing and creating healthy pizzas during our DT lessons.

Music

The children will be completing two music topics this term, the first focusing on improvisation and expression, followed by a topic called 'The show must go on!'

PE

The children will be participating in cricket and lessons developing their net and ball skills during the first half term. During the second half term, we will be completing a topic on athletics and orienteering.

Computing

We will be exploring computer systems and networks during computing, followed by the programming of games.

Languages

The children will be learning how to tell the time, along with the names of countries and the weather in French.

PSHE

The children will complete two PSHE topics this term: 'Being my Best!' And 'Growing and Changing'. During our topic of 'Growing and Changing' the children will be completing sessions on sexual relationships in accordance with the National Curriculum.

Contact us

Questions about learning

Please contact me on the GST school app.

Concerns

If you have a concern about something in school, please get in touch with me to arrange a telephone call or meeting.

Absence/appointments etc.

Please send a message to the school office on the GST school app.

Breakfast club and after school club

Please e-mail: office@garstang-st-thomas.lancs.sch.uk.

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