# Welcome to the Year 4 Curriculum Chat

#### The Team...

The Year 4 team this year is:

- 4B Zofia Stepniak
- 40 Emma Nashaat
- 4P Octavia Chin
- 4R Beth Whitley (Year Team Leader)

Teaching Assistants: Emma Rose (Tues-Fri), Tom Hodges (Mon -Wed AM only) and Lucia Garrana.

#### Structure of the day

- <u>Doors open 8.50.</u> We ask children to be in school by 8.55am each day ready for the school day to begin after 9am register.
- Pick up is at 3:15 but we stagger our release times slightly due to the over crowding.
- If your child is absent due to illness, please let the office know before 9am. You can email (<u>admin@coleridgeprimary.net</u>) or leave a message on the school answering machine.

Week 1								
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday				
Ms Whitley and	Ms Chin and Ms	Ms Whitley and	Ms Whitley and	Ms Nashaat and				
Ms Nashaat	Stepniak	Ms Stepniak	Ms Chin	Ms Stepniak				
Week 2								
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday				
Ms Chin and Ms	Ms Whitley and	Ms Nashaat and	Ms Nashaat and	Ms Chin and Ms				
Nashaat	Ms Stepniak	Ms Stepniak	Ms Chin	Whitley				

#### Structure of the day

- Mornings are usually maths, English and guided reading/spelling focused.
- English lessons will take place four times per week.
- We have nine maths lessons over the two weeks.

During the afternoons, we teach wider curriculum subjects.
 Religion and Worldviews and D&T will be taught on one day

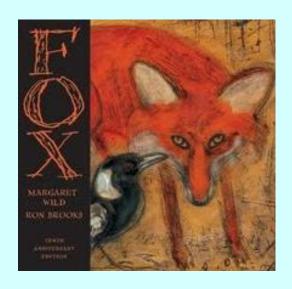
every half term.

WEBK 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday		
9.00am - 9.15am 9.15am - 9.30am	Times Table Quiz	Maths	Art (Ms Curtis)	Maths	Spelling Quiz		
9.30am - 9.45am 9.45am - 10.00am	Maths				- Maths		
10.00am - 10.15am 10.15am - 10.30am		Spelling	Singing Assembly	Handwriting			
10.30am - 11am	Break time						
11.00am - 11.15pm 11.15am - 11.30am 11.30am - 11.45am 11.45am - 12.00pm	English	English	Art (Ms Curtis)	English	English		
12pm. – 1pm.	LUNCH TIME						
1.00pm - 1.15pm 1.15pm - 1.30pm	Independent Reading / Guided Reading Group 1	P.E.	Independent Reading / Guided Reading Group 2	Independent Reading / Guided Reading Group 3	PSHE		
1.30pm - 1.45pm 1.45pm - 2.00pm	Geography		- Science	Hitory	Golden Time		
2.00pm - 2.15pm 2.15pm - 2.30pm		Library					
2.30pm - 2.45pm	Class Singing Story Time		Handwriting		P.E.		
2.45pm - 3.00pm		Story Time	Assembly	Story Time			
3.00pm - 3.15pm					Story Time		

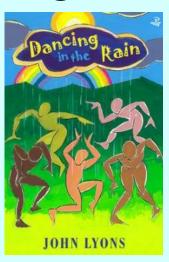
## English and Maths

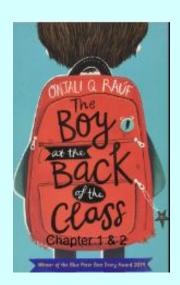


 Our focus in English and Maths can change from week to week. The best way to see what we are covering is to look at the weekly overview which is uploaded to Parent Hub app on a Friday evening by a member of the team.



# English

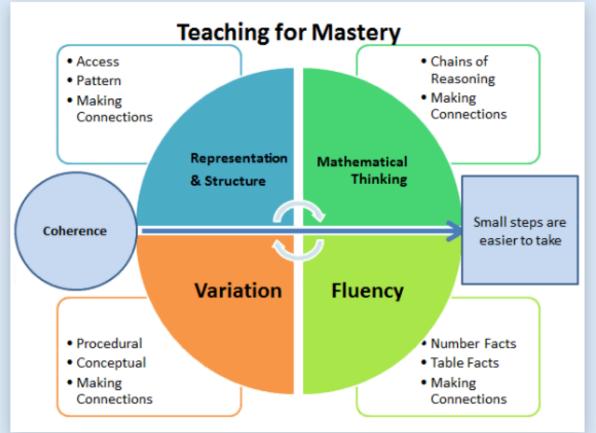


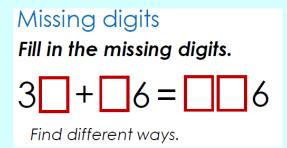


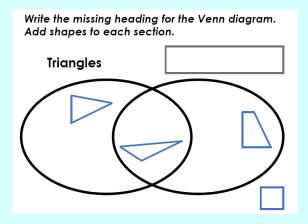
1 or 2 units of work per half term. These are a mixture of fiction, non-fiction and poetry. These have a book that the unit of work is planned around.

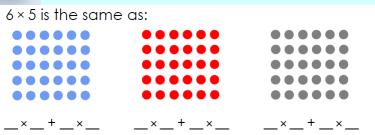
Activities include discussion work; making predictions and sharing ideas about what we have read or heard. We also have different drama opportunities, shared writing as a class and independent writing in books.

### Maths Masteru







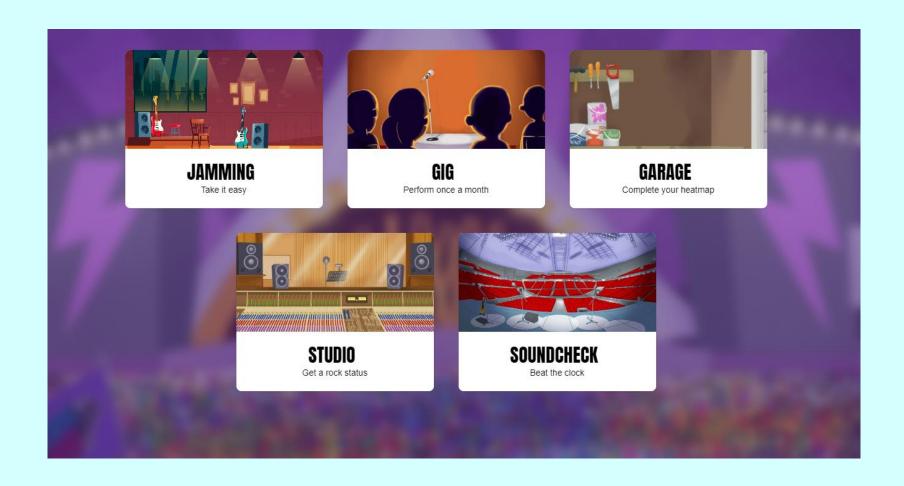


#### Times Tables

In Year 4, we have a Multiplication Tables Check which will take place in June.

- Children will be given a times table to learn each week. The same times table may be repeated for a series of weeks until it is embedded.
- Children are expected to learn the corresponding division fact, e.g.  $7 \times 3 = 21$ , therefore  $21 \div 3 = 7$ .
  - Times tables tests will take place every Monday in class.
- We will also be practising times tables during maths lessons but we recommend weekly use of TTRockstars at home.

### TT Rockstars



Reading
We have three whole class story sessions each week and each quided reading group is read with once ever 2 weeks.

Children are given lots of opportunities to read independently and in class. Some children read 1:1 with an adult to develop word recognition.

Children can bring in their own reading books for independent reading or choose one from the library. We may send some children home with a book selected with their reading level in mind.

We want to really stress the importance of each child reading every day at home. This will help your child progress with their reading fluency as well as help to develop their inference and language. Frequent practice at home (ideally daily) will have a pronounced effect on their progress.

# Spelling

- Children will be given a list of words to learn at home each week with short activities to complete to help embed the spellings. They will also be given time during the school week to practise these spellings.
- We have 2 spelling sessions a week. One of those sessions will be for teaching a KS2 spelling rule e.g. words with an 'igh' sound and one of these will be for the test (Friday).
- If your child has gaps in their spelling knowledge, they will be tested on key words/rules from previous years until they are secure.
- Children will need to bring their yellow spelling book to school every
   Friday and spellings will also be on the weekly overview.

# Curriculum Coverage

Our history topics this year are:
Roman Republic/Roman Empire
Roman Britain/Christianity in Three Empires
Ancient Arabia/Islamic Civilisations

Our geography topics are:
The Rhine /Populations
Coasts/Tourism
Earthquakes/Deserts

Our science topics this year are: States of matter, Animals including humans, Sound, All living Things, Electricity.

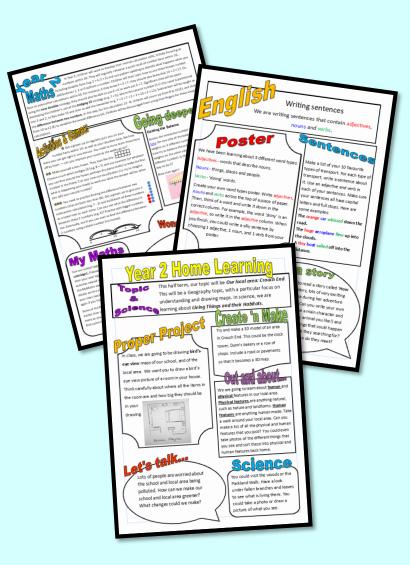
Our religion and world views topics this year are:
The life of Jesus Christ, What we can learn about Christianity, How should
we live our lives.

#### Assessment

- We assess the children's ability in every lesson and make notes on how they manage an activity and whether or not they have met the learning objective.
- These notes then feed into an individual assessment profile which is completed and updated every term.
- Throughout the year teachers will complete the profile and will be able to inform you of any areas that your child may need to practise. Your child's class teacher will then keep you updated on their progress.
- You will be informed as to your child's achievement and progress relative to national expectation at the end of each year.

## Intervention groups

- Throughout the year we will be running different intervention groups to support and develop children's learning.
- We are focusing on phonics, spelling and maths revision this term.



- Each half term, **Home Learning** is posted on the school website.
- Home Learning is **optional**. However, we strongly encourage your child to complete some of the activities to reinforce the message that learning isn't just confined to the classroom.
- There are Home Learning documents for Maths, English & Wider Curriculum subjects.
- There is a wide range of activities some are creative whereas others practise skills learnt in class.
- Maths activities are posted on **MyMaths**. You should have login details already.
- If you would like to read a <u>rationale</u> as to why we do Home Learning, this is on our school website in the Home Learning section.
- Although Home Learning is optional, <u>learning</u> the weekly spellings is compulsory.



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Instructions for Parents



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Visit www.parenthub.co.uk to find out more

This term, we are launching our new school communication app for parents and carers, *Parent Hub.* 

The app is designed to keep you more up to date with school life and connected to your children's learning.

Please see the poster below on how to download and log onto the app using your smart phone. Once launched, you will be able to access information about the school, your child's year group, their class and their learning. Teachers will also be able to communicate directly with you via the app. Coleridge Families (our PTA) will also be using the app to disseminate information about their events.

If you have not got a smart phone and do not wish to download the app, all school communication will default to your email address.

# Social upsets



#### Problems or concerns

We are always open to meeting parents to discuss any issues you have. Please arrange a time with your class teacher.

From 8:45 through to 3:15 our focus is the children and managing the learning environment. We are unable to discuss matters in these times which are not urgent or integral to your child's day. Conversations about general attainment or social issues are best had at an appointed time.

Contact <u>admin@coleridgeprimary.net</u> if you have any questions or concerns.

# Thank you!