



June 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the final half term of Year 4!

Here are our topics for these final weeks:

Maths – We will be finishing the year with units on shape, time, position and direction, and statistics. Specific objectives will be available each week for you to view on Parent Hub. We also encourage children to try the home learning activities posted there. All children will complete the Multiplication Tables Check between 2nd and 13th June.

English – In English this half term, we will complete our unit on adventure stories. After this, classes will learn how to write biographies. During this unit, we will read *Stories for South Asian Superheroes* by Raj Kaur Khaira. Over the course of three weeks, the children will read biographies from the book, learn about the features of biographical writing, conduct research for their own biography, and write one themselves.

Our final unit in English will be a poetry unit focusing on *My Heart is a Poem* by Mandy Coe. During this unit, the children will read a variety of poems by different authors, analyse the language used, and explore the emotions the poems evoke. They will have many opportunities to perform and write their own poems.

Geography – We will learn about deserts by exploring how they are formed, what plants and animals live there, and how humans have used them. We will also take a closer look at the Sahara and Patagonian deserts in particular.

Science – This half-term, we will learn about electricity. The children will explore what electricity is, how it is produced for our homes, the parts of a circuit, conductors and insulators, and how electricity has changed the world.

History – In history, we will complete a unit on *Cordoba: City of Light*. This topic will teach the children about the spread of Islam beyond Arabia. The classes will learn about Abd al-Rahman's new mosque in Cordoba and how its design was inspired by Greek and Roman architecture. They will also explore how Cordoba became a centre of learning and art, and finally, why it was known as *the City of Three Religions*.

Religion and World Views- How should we live our lives and what should inspire us?

We will be continuing on our learning from last term. Our learning will draw upon stories and lessons from:

Christianity (Desmond Tutu) Judaism (Moses) Islam (Malala) Sikhism (Guru Nanak)

PE – Striking and Field and Athletics

Classes will improve skills in striking and fielding as well as athletics.

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Music – This half-term, we will use musical language to describe soul and gospel music. We will identify key characteristics of the genre and learn to sing and perform Lean on Me by Bill Withers, including two-part harmony in the chorus and outro.

Year 5 transition - This half-term, we will support the children as they prepare for their transition to Year 5. As always, they will have the opportunity to meet their new teacher and enjoy a story session with them. Before this, teachers will talk to the children about preparing for change and what they can look forward to in the coming year.

Class Picnic in Finsbury Park- We will be rounding off our year with a trip to Finsbury Park for a picnic and games on Tuesday 15th July. All parents and carers are welcome to join. More information will be sent home closer to the time.

Dates for your diaries:

- Forest School remaining sessions:
4O: 25th June
4B: 18th June, 9th July
- Class picnic in Finsbury Park: Tuesday 15th July
- **Saturday 21st June** – Summer Fair
- **Wednesday 2nd July** – Sports Day
- **Wednesday 9th July** – School reports given to parents/carers
- **Wednesday 16th July** – Parents evening (in-person)
- **Tuesday 22nd July** – Last day of term & Toy Day

Finally, we'd like to take this opportunity to thank you for all your support this year. We have had a brilliant year teaching your children and feel they should be very proud of their achievements this year.

Best wishes,

The Year 4 team.

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