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Welcome to your first term in year four,

I hope you have all enjoyed the summer break and that you are ready to work hard this term! I am extremely excited to get stuck in to our learning and I'm sure you will enjoy all of the interesting topics we are going to cover just as much as I will! There will be a big focus upon times tables this year to support you with the rest of your maths work and prepare you for the statutory multiplication tables check in June next year. We will be practising our times tables up to 12x12 every day in class and it would be great if you would continue this at home so that we can become really fluent!

PE

PE will be on a Tuesday and Friday afternoon. This term, Danielle (our sports coach) and Miss Preugschat will be teaching all of our PE units on these days. You need to have a labelled PE kit in school at all times, which can be taken home to be washed over the weekend or half termly.

Homework, Spellings and Reading

This year, Learning Log homework and Maths will be given out on a Friday and returned on a Wednesday. Occasionally, we may give out a piece of homework that lasts for a longer period of time, such as a mini-project. Reading books need to be changed at least once a week and don't forget to bring your Reading Journal and book in everyday, so that we can keep track of the books you are reading and so you can earn raffle tickets! You need to continue to learn your times tables at home as well as covering them in class, there will be a times table test every Friday. Finally, spellings will be given out each term and should be practised daily.

Miss Preugschat

Europe

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Our **geography** this term will be taught through our topic of **Europe**. We will learn about the countries and capital cities of Europe. We will explore climate zones and environmental regions and topographical features of Mediterranean Europe. In **history**, we will be learning about the Ancient Greece. We will study Greek life, their achievements and influence on the western world.

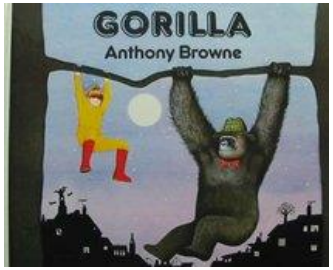
In **Science** this term, we will be focusing on the units animals including humans and sound. We will learn about the simple functions of the basic parts of the digestive system in humans and identify the different types of teeth in humans. During our sound unit, we will identify how sounds are made and find patterns between the pitch and volume of a sound

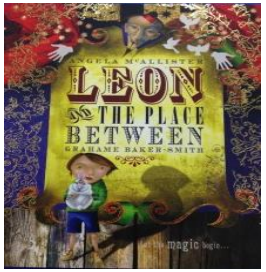
This year, we will deliver Art and DT in blocks at the end of the half terms. In **Art** we will be designing and creating circus posters; looking at different artists for inspiration. In **DT** we will develop our skills in textiles by creating a fairground game/mechanical toy.

In **music,** we will have weekly sessions on Tuesday afternoon. We will be following the Charanga theme which allows children to focus on each aspect of the musical curriculum.

In **R.E** we will be learning about Judaism. We will be learning about their beliefs and views. We will look into synagogues and what happens during Pesach for Jews. We will also be learning about the rules that Jews follow in the Torah.

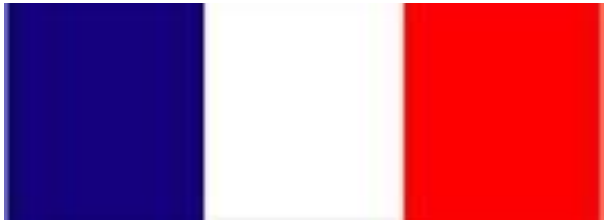
In **English** we will be focusing our learning around two books called Gorilla by Anthony Browne and Leon and the Place Between by Graham Baker-Smith. Throughout the term, we will focus on letter writing and narrative recounts as well as completing extended writing within our topic work. Throughout the year, we will continue to develop our use of ambitious vocabulary, conjunctions, punctuation and sentence openers.





In Maths we will be following the White Rose Maths scheme of work, which develops the children's fluency with number and their mastery at applying these skills to problems and puzzles. We will start with work on number placement, addition and subtraction as well as multiplication and division. We will also continue to build on our recall of times tables.

In **French** we will continue to develop our skills in conversational French and learn about the culture.



In **PE** we will be covering dance and invasion games including football and tag rugby. Throughout the year, we will also continue to have the opportunity to participate in competitions. PE will be on a Tuesday and Friday so please ensure labelled kit is with you on these days.

In **Computing** we will be looking at Internet Safety. What makes a strong password? What makes a spam? What rules should we follow on the web?