



Spring 2021 Year 4

Homework is set on a Friday and returned on the following Friday. *Please remember to read with your child every night and help them to complete their home spellings.*

In **science** pupils are focusing on exploring states of matter. They will use practical enquiries and scientific evidence to support their findings. During the second half term, children will start to look at forces and magnets and explore how magnets behave towards each other and form theories to explain it.

In **humanities** the children will be looking at Madagascar in particular the effect climate change is having on the country. Time will also be spent learning about the unusual and unique animals found living there.

In **art** children are taking inspiration from Anni Albers, a famous weaving artist. They are then going to develop ideas to create their own weave design, using paper to practise and eventually using a loom to complete a final product.

Thank you for all of your support last term.

Mr Pugh, Miss Read and Miss Bound.

In **literacy** we will be reading a variety of fiction including The Iron Man, Weslandia and Jonathon Swift's Gulliver.

There will be a focus on handwriting and presentation this term. We hope to see many year 4 pupils gaining handwriting stamps and, as a reward, moving onto using pen in their handwriting book.

We will continue to work on grammar, punctuation and spellings each week. Please help your child to practise their spellings each night.



In **music** the children will be learning about various music genres and instruments from around the world.

During **PE** this term, the children will be participating in outdoor activities where they will continue to work with TNS on games activities.

In **French**, the children will have the opportunity to have a small conversation in French, using the 'Salut!' scheme of work.

In **mathematics** we will be learning about number facts and calculating. We will be focusing on multiplication and division and money addition problems. We will also be learning about area and perimeter this term. Finally, there will be a particular focus on learning multiplication tables.

In **PSHE** the children will learn about how to be a good citizen in the community and the wider world. They will also be learning about our digital footprint and the power of advertising. They will be taught about how to manage a budget and the different ways we can pay for things.

In **RE** the children will explore how Christians celebrate Easter and what this festival is so important to their faith.

In **computing**, the children will learn how to write for a variety of audiences using word processing skills. They will also spend time learning how to create a spreadsheet and they will also learn to control an on screen robot using coding language.

Remember that Woodside pupils have free access to Number Gym which offers a wonderful collection of maths games.

The username is 'woodside' and password is 'gittin.'

Helping your child to learn their times tables can help all aspects of maths.

The children also have access to TT Rockstars and Spelling Shed. Your child should already be familiar with the login process in order to use the websites.

In **DT** this term, Year 4 will be focusing on basket weaving. We will practise by developing our skills using paper and from our research, we will be designing and making our own basket based on our humanities topic of Madagascar.

Please remember that classroom windows will be open and that the room may become cold during the day. We will allow your child to wear their coat in class if temperatures fall.

Children are encouraged to wear as many layers as possible.

PE Kits should be brought in on Monday and taken home on Friday.