



First Tower Curriculum Overview Year 4 Spring 2024

Welcome to Year 4. The Year 4 teachers are Mr Shenton and Mrs Changachanga. The Year 4 teaching assistant is Mrs Riant.

Key information

Year 4's PE days are Tuesday and Friday. Please ensure your child has appropriate school PE kit (see parent handbook for guidance.) Please do not wear earrings on PE days if possible.

Homework

Reading- at least 20 minutes every day. Please sign reading record.

Spelling- children will be allocated spellings every Monday and will be required to practice their spellings throughout the week using the homework structure they are provided (including sentences). To be returned on a Friday.

Maths- the focus is for children to be learning their times tables – please make sure your child is accessing Times Tables Rockstars regularly.

Other- there will also a termly topic project set- guidance for this will be in their pink books.

Homework will either be set on TEAMS or in home learning books.

Maths

We will be covering perimeter, interpreting data and properties of shape. We will then move onto working with decimals, money and fractions. We will also be focusing on the children's fluency skills and times tables.

English

We are beginning by planning, drafting and editing a winter poem. We will then be beginning our 'Winning at Writing' initiative in year 4. The children will be writing character descriptions, setting descriptions and creating their own stories. This will be for the entire Spring term.

Science

In our first unit we will be exploring electricity where we will create circuits and investigate how they work using different materials. After half term we will be studying sound learning about vibrations, pitch and volume.

PE

This term we will be focusing on developing skills in fitness and badminton. After half term we will be doing basketball and football.

ICT

Our first unit is a programming unit looking at repetition in shapes and after half term we will be studying data logging.

Topic

We will be doing topics of 'All Aboard' which is about the history of the Jersey Railway and looking at maritime landmarks. After half term we will be looking at 'The Great Exhibition' and see some British inventions over time.

Art

We are beginning the year creating some agamographs to be displayed alongside our Winter poems. These are pieces of illusion artwork that show two different pictures depending on your viewing angle. Later in the term we will be exploring digital media.

DT

Our project will be centred around electrical systems and will link with our science topic.

RE

Our first RE key question is, 'What do Hindus believe God is like?' and our second one is, 'Why do Christians call the day Jesus died 'Good Friday?'

PSHE

Through our Jigsaw PSHE curriculum we will be exploring the topics 'Dreams and Goals' and 'Healthy Me'.

Music

Within our topic learning, we will be listening to songs inspired by the railways and composing music inspired by the sounds of trains.