

Meet The Teacher: Year 4 Information

Your Teachers

In Year 4 you will have two class teachers. Mrs McGuire will teach you Monday-Wednesday lunchtime and Mrs Saunders from Wednesday afternoon - Friday. Mrs McGuire and Mrs Saunders are in constant communication with each other so feel free to speak to either of them, when you need to, and the other teacher will be informed. There is no need to tell both teachers. In addition anything that has happened in school one half of the week, positive or negative, will be passed on to the next teacher so the teaching in Year 4 will be consistent and continuous. Any questions, please feel free to ask.

Curriculum

In Year 4, in the Autumn term, we will be starting our class novel, 'The Land of Roar' and starting our first History topic, 'The Greeks.' We will also be enjoying learning different instruments in Music; learning about Van Gogh in Art; taking part in Athletics and Hockey in PE and Group and Classify Living Things and States of Matter in Science.

Reading

Your child will receive a school reading book each Friday, and this should be returned to school for the following Tuesday. We would also like your child to read at home on a regular basis, 10-15 minutes each night would be ideal. With the book that comes home, your child will also have their reading journal so that they can record what they have read at home. You may wish to fill this in too. They will also have VIPERS questions in their homework book, which helps to identify the different types of questions you may wish to ask them at home. This will help with their comprehension skills.



Homework

This term, homework will be given out on a Friday and handed in the following Tuesday (along with their reading book). There will be a range of activities that they will be asked to complete. In Year 4, we will be strongly encouraging the children to continue to learn their Times Tables using TTRockstars and any other website or approach you feel suits your child at home. Children will be asked to use Reading Plus for 30 minutes as part of their homework too.

P.E

P.E lessons will take place on a **Tuesday and Wednesday** for this term. If your child is unable to do P.E, please either send a note into class or the school office or email/phone the school office. We are also taking part in Finchale Fitness, so could your child please bring a pair of trainers into school each day.

Medicines

If your child requires any medication, please ensure that it has a pharmacist's label on the bottle/packet. It will need to be handed into the school office where you will be required to complete a form. This form is also available on our school website by clicking on 'Parents' and 'Medication Request Form'.
www.finchale.durham.sch.uk/medication-request-form

Water Bottles

Could you please send your child into school with a full (and labelled) water bottle each day.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Mrs McGuire and Mrs Saunders