

Heathfield Junior School - Curriculum Bulletin

Year 4

Summer 2024

Welcome back, we hope you all had a pleasant and relaxing holiday.

The Heathfield Way

'The Heathfield Way' underpins all that we do in school. We expect all members of the Heathfield community to:

- Learn and let others learn
- Respect all people and property
- Work hard and try their very best

When children follow, 'The Heathfield Way' they will be awarded housepoints, which are recorded in their reading diary. All Heathfield pupils are placed into one of 4 houses- red, yellow, blue or green- when they join the school.

English

In Summer 1 we will be reading '**The Lost Happy Endings**' and in Summer 2 we will be reading '**Mama Miti**' and '**Varjak Paw**'. We will be writing in a range of genres using the three texts as our inspiration. We will also be exploring some **Caribbean Poetry**.

Maths

In Summer we will be covering Money, Time, Statistics and Geometry including properties of shape and position and direction. Just like in the first term the children will be completing an arithmetic test on a **Friday**.

Times Tables

Please continue to work with your child on learning their times tables; by the end of Year 4 children are expected to know all times tables up to 12x12. All Year 4 children will complete the national Multiplication Tables Check in the summer term. This is extremely important as it supports their learning in a range of mathematical areas, including fractions. Thank you for your continued support. The children have already started to work their way to becoming 'Multiplication Masters' in school.



In order to help your children learn their times tables, the school has become a member of 'Times Table Rock Stars'. This is an online website where your children can practise their times tables through fun and interactive games.

Your child's login details are located at the front of the reading journal. We will be using this website in school but also ask that children login and practise at home as well.

Reading Diary

Reading and books are a huge part of our life at Heathfield. Therefore, in Year 4 children are expected to read aloud to an adult at home **every** day for 20 minutes. After they have read, the children need to record the title of the book and comment about what they have read in their reading diary. An adult from home should then sign next to the comment. Your child's teacher will then read your child's comment and sign the reading diary too.

We understand that sometimes children find it hard to write a comment about what they have read so here are some ideas about what they might write about:

- What has happened in the book so far?
- Who is their favourite character and why?
- Who is their least favourite character and why?
- What they predict is going to happen next?



Reading Diary
2024/2025

Name: _____
Class: _____

Science

Summer 1 – **Looking at States of matter** – Investigating the different states of matter- solids, liquids and gases.

Summer 2 – **Sound** – investigating sources of sound and how we hear them.

Humanities

Our Summer 1 Humanities topic is 'Vikings' where we will be learning about dates on a timeline, comparing historical cultures to modern day and studying artefacts. Our Spring Two topic is 'We are meteorologists' where we will be studying weather patterns.

Homework

Topic and Maths homework

Topic and Maths homework will be sent out on alternative weeks.

They will be set on a Tuesday to be returned on the following Tuesday.

Spellings

Spelling homework will be set every Friday and should be returned on the following Friday.

The children will also have a spelling test on a Friday where they will be asked to apply the taught spelling rule to an unseen set of words.

PE

Please ensure that your child has full PE kit in school every day. This includes black shorts or jogging bottoms, a T-shirt in team colours and trainers.

School Uniform

At Heathfield Junior School we pride ourselves on our smart appearance. All children are expected to wear:

- Purple school sweatshirt or cardigan
- Fleece with school logo (optional/outside)
- White/purple polo shirt
- White, black or grey socks
- Black shoes (no boots or sandals)
- Black or grey tailored trousers or skirt (no leggings)
- Or a summer dress

Please ensure all uniform and PE kit is labelled.

Important Dates

Thursday 9th May – Ainslie Class Assembly

Friday 17th May – Class photos

Monday 20th May – Bushcraft Trip

Monday 3rd June to Friday 14th June – Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check (MTC) to take place

Tuesday 4th June – RE Gurdwara visit Ruby Tui

Tuesday 18th June – RE Gurdwara visit Storey and Ainslie

Monday 17th June – Meet an Author Trip – Twickenham Stadium (TBC)

Friday 5th July – Junior Sports Day

Monday 8th and Tuesday 9th July – Parents Evenings

How to Contact Us:

We are always happy to see you and discuss any queries or concerns you may have.

If you need to make an appointment at any time please contact the school office via telephone

020 8894 3525 or email: office@heathfield-jun.richmond.sch.uk

Mrs Hill – Year Group Leader and Storey Class Teacher

Ms Turnbull – Ruby Tui Class Teacher

Mr Donnelly – Ainslie Class Teacher