



Ashley Junior School

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5TH January 2026

Dear Parent/Carer,

Happy New Year and welcome back to Year 4!

We hope your child will have a successful and productive term. We would like to take this opportunity to inform you of the curriculum coverage for the Spring Term. Please find the curriculum web attached which outlines the learning objectives for our new topic. We hope that the following information will enable you to provide support and encouragement for your child.

Parent Consultations

Parent consultations have been arranged for **Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 11th February**. Time slots will be available between 3:40pm – 6:00pm. Appointments can be made via your child's online Arbor account from Friday 24th January from 5:00pm.

The home learning requirements for Year 4 continue to be:

Reading

Children are expected to read daily for at least 10 minutes and record their thoughts and feelings in response to what they have read in their Reading River Record at least three times a week. Please refer to the guidance at the front of your child's Reading River and ensure your child brings in their Reading River Record every Thursday. Library Day will take place every Tuesday. Please ensure your child remembers their library book every week.

Spelling

We will continue to ask your child to practise their spellings weekly on Spelling Frame. The programme builds your child's spelling confidence and ability as it is tailored to their individual strengths and weaknesses. This will only have an impact if they use Spelling Frame at least three times a week for 10 minutes per session, completing the test. Please contact us if you require log in details.

Maths

Times Tables

It is an expectation in the National Curriculum for Mathematics that by the end of Year 4 all children know and can recall all times table facts up to and including 12 x 12. In June, the children are required to complete a National Assessment Times Table Check. To support your child in participating in the Check, they will benefit from regular access to 'TT Rockstars,' the online times table platform that is designed to

challenge the children and support the progression of their times tables knowledge. Again, this should be used at least three times a week for a minimum of 10 minutes per session.

Further information about the National Check will be shared nearer the time.

P.E

This term, P.E. will take place on Friday. Children will need to come into school wearing their kit. It will be acceptable in the colder weather for children to be in black or blue tracksuit bottoms along with their school jumper with their P.E kit underneath.

School Trips

In the latter half of the Spring term, we will host our own Anglo-Saxon/Viking Day for our History Learning Journeys. The date is yet to be confirmed

Snacks and Water bottles

We politely request **ALL** children have a named water bottle in school. Please ensure that these are not filled with squash or fizzy drinks, as only water is permitted. These will need to return home and be washed each day.

Fruit and vegetable snacks are welcome, but we request that no other type of snack is provided. Milk can be purchased through the cool milk scheme <https://www.ashleyjuniorschool.co.uk/page/?title=School+Dinners+and+Milk&pid=56> Alternatively, you may be entitled to free milk.

Communication with Parents / Carers

If you wish to speak to you child's class teacher, please contact the school office, who will make the necessary arrangements.

Yours faithfully,

Year Four Team