



# Uphall

Year 4 Autumn Term Newsletter

Year 4



## Year4 Team



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Remember – you don't need to wait until Parents' Evenings to talk to your child's class teacher. Messages or information can be shared when you collect your child. If you need a longer conversation, please make an appointment.

## Reminders

- Please ensure ALL of your child's clothing and belongings are labelled with their name. It is your child's responsibility to keep their belongings safe. Remember school starts at 8:50am – don't be late!!
- Pupils may bring a bottle of water to drink during the day.
- Year 4 will have their Indoor PE on Tuesdays.
- Swimming lessons will be on Wednesdays, starting from 11<sup>th</sup> Sept 2024. Jewellery must not be worn for swimming lessons.

## 2024-25

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you've had a lovely summer and are as excited as we are about the forthcoming year. This academic year is full of exciting opportunities for fun-filled learning, which we are sure will engage and enthuse your children.

The children have embraced their return to school with a positive attitude and have settled well into their new classes. We hope that the excitement and thirst for learning will continue throughout the year.

We started the term with children sharing their project for the topic 'United Kingdom and Our Local Area'. Children will be learning about their country and the local area.



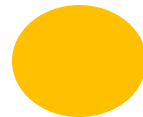
## English

This term, we are reading the book, 'Time Travelling Cat and the Egyptian Goddess' by Julia Jarman. Children will be taught features of narrative writing. Later, they will be given an opportunity to write and publish one.



## Maths

We shall be using the Mastery approach to Maths teaching. This term, our focus will be on the following areas: Place Value, Addition and Subtraction, Multiplication and Division, Measurement and Area.



## Geography

Children will learn about different types of maps, the Ordnance Survey map symbols, location of the UK, name and locate key mountains in the UK, the seas surrounding the country and our local area. They will then look at land use in Stratford and compare it with the way land is used in their local area.

**History-** This term children will learn about the achievements of Ancient Egyptians, when and where the ancient Egyptians lived, explain the importance of the Egyptian gods and goddesses, and will evaluate the challenges of building an Egyptian pyramid and explain how and why the Egyptians mummified people.

### Reciprocal Reading

In reading sessions, we will be retrieving information, making inferences and justifying them with evidences and using context clues to infer the meaning of unfamiliar words. Children will be taught new vocabulary so please talk to them about the new words they will learn, their meaning and understanding. Children will read the book '**Ancient Egypt, Gods, Pharaohs and Cats**' by Marcia Williams.

**Science- Living Things and their Habitats-** Recognise that living things can be grouped in a variety of ways, explore and use classification keys to help group, identify and name a variety of living things in their local and wider environment, recognise that environments can change and that this can sometimes pose dangers to living things.

### Trips and workshops this half-term

1. Trip to the Swiss Cottage Library- 17<sup>th</sup> Sept for 4Sh and 4Sa- 19<sup>th</sup> Sept for 4Kh and 4Ra
2. Egyptian workshop-Secrets of the Scroll- Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September

**IMPORTANT!** – In Maths, there is an expectation that by the end of Year4 all times tables are known and learnt fluently. **Multiplication Table Check** is an online check which is mandatory for children in Year 4. Please make sure children practise times tables for at least 10-15 minutes a day for optimal results. Children can also use this link to practise at home: <https://www.timestables.co.uk/multiplication-tables-check/>

## Homework Expectations

Homework will be sent home on Thursdays and is expected back the following Tuesday. Please help your child complete their weekly homework as it is important for your child's success at school.

## Dates for Diary

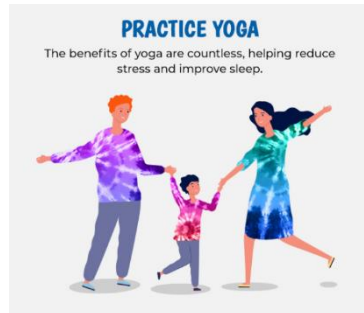
**Autumn term:** Wed, 4<sup>th</sup> Sep 24 to Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> Dec 24

**Half-term break:** Mon, 28<sup>th</sup> Oct 24 to Fri, 1<sup>st</sup> Nov 24

**Christmas Holidays:** Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> Dec 24 to Sun, 5<sup>th</sup> Jan25



## Family Time Tips!



Available to buy, every other Thursday after school in the P.E hall