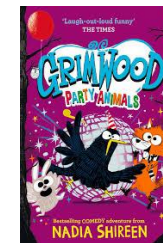


**Cowell Class:
Mrs Nock (4N)**

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TA support team: Miss Smith, Mrs Howard, Mrs McGlone

**Shireen Class:
Miss Small (4S)**



We hope you had a good break. This term brings lots of new challenges and exciting opportunities. Thank you for supporting your child at home with their learning - it makes an enormous difference to their experiences in school. The weather will more than likely be changeable. Please can you ensure your child brings in a **waterproof coat with a hood every day. Can you please make sure your child brings a named water bottle to school every day. No flavoured water or juice please.**

Maths

This term, children will continue to explore scaling by 10 and 100, In Year 4 Mathematics this term, pupils will continue developing their understanding of place value by practising scaling numbers by 10 and 100, building fluency and confidence. We will also be exploring direction and position, using coordinates to describe movement and to direct and translate polygons accurately across a grid. In addition, children will apply their mathematical knowledge to a range of word problems, encouraging them to think critically, explain their reasoning clearly, and solve multi-step problems with increasing independence.

Religious Education

In RE this term we will be looking answering the question 'Why do we call the day Jesus died 'Good Friday?'' We will closely examine some of the key events of Holy Week, including Judas' betrayal and Peter's denial. We will be digging deeper into what these events mean for Christians today.

Science

This term in science the topic is called 'animals, including humans' and concerns the organs of the body and the various systems that help us function as humans. The children will gain a wider understanding of food webs, how to take care of their teeth and the digestive system. The vocabulary in this topic is particularly extensive and we are hoping that the children will be sharing lots of it with you.

Music

We are excited to be able to offer all children the opportunity to continue to learn to play the ukulele in Year 4 this term! The children will continue to learn cords and start to learn more complex melodies. The children are very excited.

Dates for your diary

2nd March – Ashford Mobile Library visit
5th March – World Book Day
5th March – Parent reading and book swap
16th March – Author visit
20th March – PFA Bend the rules day
20th March – PFA Spring Disco
24th March – Class School Photos
31st March – Y4 Easter Performance
2nd April – End of Term 13.30 finish

As usual, if you have any questions or queries, please ask any of the Year 4 staff team, and we would be very happy to help you.

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English

In Reading our story this term will be 'Anglo-Saxon Boy'. It is a historical fiction novel, closely linking to our history topic this term. The children will look at how characters change and how a plot in a novel is created.

In Writing, we will be writing setting-drive short stories, where the children will have the opportunity to demonstrate their fantastic describing skills. We will be working hard to improve our sentence structures and presentation.

Physical Education

PE will be Football and Dance for Year 4, please make sure your child has the appropriate PE kit and **no earrings on PE days**. PE will be outdoors on a Wednesday and indoors on a Friday.

History

This term, pupils will be learning about the Scots and Anglo-Saxon invasions of Britain, exploring why, where and when these events took place and the lasting impact the Anglo-Saxons had on Britain. They will investigate what everyday life was like during this period and develop their historical enquiry skills by analysing and describing Anglo-Saxon artefacts.

PSHE

This term, children will explore friendships, group dynamics and the emotions linked to belonging, trust and feeling left out. They will consider how peer influence can affect choices and learn strategies for staying safe with friends, including understanding safety near railways. Pupils will also learn key facts about smoking, vaping and alcohol, while developing skills to recognise peer pressure, manage uncomfortable feelings and respond assertively. Through this learning, children will reflect on what makes a healthy friendship and how to make safe, responsible choices.