



Year 4 Autumn Term Newsletter 2023

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We hope you had a lovely summer holiday, and are rested and ready for Year 4. We are looking forward to a fun and exciting term, where we will guide the children into becoming independent young people.

Reminders:

Lunch Arrangements

All pupils are entitled to universal free school meals for this academic year ONLY. If you need to change your child's lunch arrangements eg. school dinners to packed lunch, please give 1 week's notice to Mrs Vekaria in the school office.

Be on time for school

Please be on time for the start of the school day at 08:45.

Uniform & Equipment

Please help us by labelling your child's clothes. We have many lost jumpers with no names in them. PE kits should stay in school for each half term. Swimming for Year 4 is this first half term ending 21st October

Key Dates:

5th and 12th October: Parents evening

Friday 10th November: Diwali Assembly

21st October: Break up for half term

21st December: Xmas Jumper Day

Nativity Assembly: 16th December

Thursday 21st December: Break up for Christmas holidays.

Year 4 Trip to St Albans in October - exact dates to follow.

School Planners:

Please make sure your child has his or her planner at school each day. You can use the planner to communicate with your child's teacher.



Literacy This term in Literacy we will be reading some amazing books. We will use *The Firework Maker's Daughter* to support writing instructions and poetry and *Christophe's Story* to further understand the life of a refugee, writing informal letters and a diary entry.



Maths The topics for Year 4 for this term

include: place value; finding 1000 more or less than a given number; counting in multiples of 25, 1000; rounding numbers to aid estimation; an introduction to negative numbers and solving word problems. Lots of practise is needed for all times tables. [Be a Times Table Rockstar!](#)



Science This term in Science our topics are: *All living things & Animals including Humans*. We aim to make science a practical subject. Be prepared to get involved in conversations about life-cycles and animal habitats making the most of outdoor spaces while we can.



History and Geography Our history

topic is The Romans. We look at a timeline to understand the chronology of this time and also the legacy of the Roman occupation of the UK. Geography will be taught as a themed week later in the term with a focus on volcanoes and earthquakes.



Wider curriculum

At RGJS we believe in the importance of teaching the 'whole child', making sure your child receives a broad and rich curriculum, including:

PE: Swimming/ Gymnastics and Football

Let us know if you are you able to be a swimming lesson helper. No actual swimming involved!!

RE: Understanding aspects of Hinduism

Art/DT Making a clay mosaic & Pop-up cards

Music: Singing & playing the recorder

Computing: Developing understanding of computer systems and networks and Creating Media-Video editing

Spanish: Learning numbers & the vocabulary to visit the doctor

Communication

Please make sure you have **SchoolPing** set up on your mobile phone to ensure you receive important news and updates from the school.

If you need to contact the school urgently, please call the office on **0208 204 5221**.

For school information such as term dates, curriculum overviews, policies and much more please visit our website: www.rgjs.brent.sch.uk

