



Welcome!

**Year 4**

Parent Information Evening

# The Year 4 Team

4G - Mr Greenway

4F - Mr Freeth

TAs - Miss Pinto, Mrs Kidner and  
a new member of staff will be  
joining us shortly.

# Our Behaviour and Expectations Policy

Is based around our School Values

Focuses on the positive with children being rewarded with House Points and Value Tokens.

Children work towards their Merit Badge, then Bronze, Silver and Gold Awards.

If a child behaves inappropriately they have a reflection sheet to complete and spend up to 15 minutes with a member of the school's Leadership Team.

If a child continues to behave inappropriately their parents will be contacted and a report card put in place.

For serious incidents a child will be excluded.

Our Behaviour and Expectations and Anti-Bullying Policies are published on our school website. *They have been adapted for current times.*

Forgiveness

Friendship

Courage

Perseverance

Belonging



**R**espect our school - everyone and everything



**E**veryone listens to instructions



**S**ilence when asked



**P**lease and thank you; be polite and kind



**E**nter and exit school calmly and sensibly - no running



**C**orridors - walk silently in single file to the left



**T**alking - one voice at a time





# Topics

## Radical Romans

Learning about the Romans, the impact they had on our lives and local area. We will also investigate Boudica and the Celts.

## Back To The Future

A history of music and technology through the ages and how society has been affected by or had effects on these.

## Super Cities and Mighty Mountains

History of Birmingham. Comparisons of cities and towns. How mountains are formed and types of mountains.

# Year 4 - Timetable

		9.00 - 10.40		10.55 - 12.15		1.10 - 2.10	2.10 - 3.15			
<b>Monday</b>	REGISTRATION	KS2 Worship 9-9:30	Maths	BREAK 10.40	SPaG/English	LUNCH (12.15-1:10)	Tables Tables	Topic		
<b>Tuesday</b>	REGISTRATION	KS2 Worship 9-9:30	Maths	BREAK 10.40	English	LUNCH (12.15-1:10)	REGISTRATION Times Tables	PPA Release PSHE (EW)	PPA Release French	
<b>Wednesday</b>	REGISTRATION	Computing Chromebook Slot		BREAK 10.40	Maths Chromebook Slot	LUNCH (12.15-1:10)	REGISTRATION Times Tables	RE	Indoor Games	Class Worship
<b>Thursday</b>	REGISTRATION	KS2 Worship 9-9:30	Maths	BREAK 10.40	English	LUNCH (12.15-1:10)	REGISTRATION Spelling Test	Teaching of Reading 1 Vocabulary	Topic inc. Art and D&T	
<b>Friday</b>	REGISTRATION	Special Mentions 9-9:30	Teaching of Reading 2 Skills	BREAK 10.40	English/Maths	LUNCH (12.15-1:10)	REGISTRATION Times Tables	Outdoor Games	Spelling Tests & Home Learning	Storytime



# Core Skills

- Core skill sheets set out the expectations for each year group in Writing and Maths.
- Each child has an individual copy that is dated when they show use of a skill independently.
- To achieve the expected standard by the end of the year, almost all of the core skills need to be demonstrated independently.

# Reading

We have outlined below our reading expectations and really value your support with these.

- All children are expected to have their reading book and diary in school every day.
- We would expect children in Year 4 to read at least 3 times a week, and at least one of those times with an adult at home.
- Parent/carer to sign the reading diary once each week with a short comment about your child's reading. We would also like children to write a comment twice each week in their diary.

# Reading Vipers

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**V**ocabulary

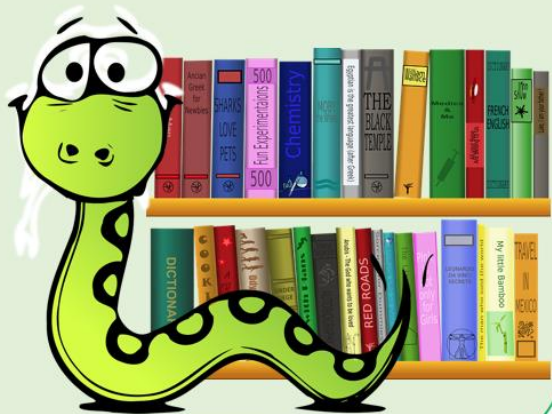
**I**nfer

**P**redict

**E**xplain

**R**etrieve

**S**equence or Summarise



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VIPERS is an acronym to aid the recall of the 6 reading domains as part of the UK's reading curriculum. They are the **key** areas which we feel children need to know and understand in order to improve their comprehension of texts.

The 6 domains focus on the comprehension aspect of reading and not the mechanics: decoding, fluency, etc. As such, VIPERS is not a reading scheme but rather a method of ensuring that we ask, and students are familiar with, a range of questions.

**Please see handout for question stems for your reference and own use when reading with your child.**

# Reading - Six Book Challenge

Six Books to read in Year 4

- The Queen's Nose, Dick King-Smith
- Cloud Tea Monkeys, Mal Peet & Elspeth Graham
- James and the Giant Peach, Roald Dahl
- Running on the Roof of the World, Jess Butterworth
- A Place Called Perfect, Helena Duggan
- The Dragons At Crumbling Castle, Terry Pratchett (A collection of Short Stories)

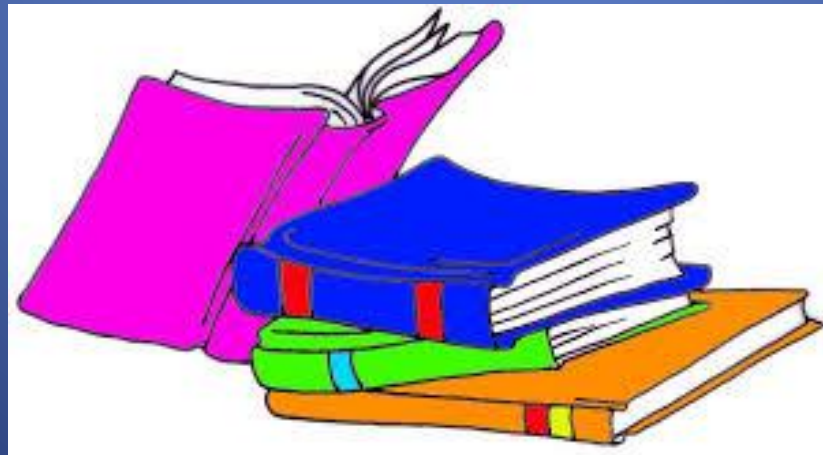
For each of the books from the list above read, children will earn 3 house points.

We have copies of these books in school which children may borrow throughout the year to read.

# Reading - Class Readers

## Class Readers

- Krindlekrax, Philip Ridley
- Escape from Pompeii, Christina Balit
- Roman Invasion, Jim Eldridge
- Freaky Peaks, Anita Ganeri
- Charlie and The Chocolate Factory, Roald Dahl



# Times Tables

In Year 4, children will complete the Multiplications Table Check (MTC) in the Summer Term.

Children should be practising their times tables regularly at home. We recommend using Times Tables Rockstars. All children have been set on automatic training mode, which allows them to work through the tables at their own pace, only moving on when they are secure.

Children should know all of their times tables up to  $12 \times 12$ . We recommend the following order for mastering the tables:

**10, 2, 5, 3, 4, 8, 6, 7, 9, 11, 12**

# Home Learning

Reading (at least 3 times a week)

Reading comprehension and Maths (CGP books to be provided by school).

Home Learning will be set weekly on Friday and should be returned by the following Wednesday so that it can be class marked.

Spelling Shed, Reading Plus and Times Tables Rockstars should also be accessed regularly at home.

New spellings will be set each Thursday on Spelling Shed, and children will be tested on these the following **Thursday** in school.

# Online Access

Your child has access through school to the following platforms:

BGFL (School Launchpad)

Spelling Shed

Times Tables Rockstars

Reading Plus

Espresso (Accessed through tile on BGFL)

If you are unable to access any of these, please contact us on the year group email.

Should your child need to self-isolate then please log onto the BGFL where you will find the Blended learning for that week.



# P.E and Games

PE will take place on Wednesday and Friday

PE Kit - Please make sure that children come to school in PE kits on PE days. Wednesday's session will be indoors until \_\_\_\_\_. Our outdoor session will be on Friday and kits should be appropriate for this. PE kit should be black or navy coloured trousers (or shorts) and sweatshirt (or alternative) and a white top. The new team colour t-shirts and hoodies are also suitable.

Please note that children are not allowed to wear earrings during any PE lesson. Earrings may **not** be left in if they are covered with plasters. Watches including fit bits must also be removed. Long hair should be tied up for PE. This is in line with our school health and safety policy.

If your child is unable to remove their earrings or is not in PE kit, they will access a non-participant activity during the lesson.

# Parent Helpers?

If you would like to help in Year 4 with one of the following:

Daily readers

Administration

Teaching an area of your expertise  
(Our Science topics are.....)

Please get in touch via the year group email.

# Questions or Queries?

Speak to class teachers in the first instance.

Contact teachers through year group email

For urgent issues or attendance you can also contact the office at:

[contactus@st-michaels-lichfield.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:contactus@st-michaels-lichfield.staffs.sch.uk)

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