

English

Reading will continue to be a high priority in the Summer term. Please encourage your child to read every night in order to build up fluency and stamina. Ask your child to talk about what they have read, to discuss a character or even predict the ending. Your child can change their book as soon as it is finished. All of our reading scheme is online and it can be accessed via Bug Club. We will post a list of the Year 4 spellings on Class Dojo. This term we will be focussing on words which have the prefix –dis, -mis and anti. The spelling results will be sent home each Friday.

In writing lessons, the children will be learning about stories with an historical setting. They will be exploring the story called 'Runaways' which is set in the Victorian era. In the non fiction section, the children will be writing a newspaper article about Victorian schools. We will focussing on developing their usage of nouns and adjectives in grammar. In addition, the children will be learning about verb tense agreements. Encourage your child to be curious about vocabulary and finding out what unusual words mean.

Maths:

In maths, we will continue to prioritise ensuring the children are confident in arithmetic. They should confidently add and subtract four digit numbers. Regular practice is really important to maintain these skills. Encourage your child to use money and work out change mentally. This will really help your child prepare for year five. We have found TT Rockstars is highly effective in helping memorise times tables. Ten minutes practice a day will make such a difference. The government expects children in year four to have learned all of their tables up to 12 before they move to year five. Their progress can be checked on the statistic section on TTRS.

You can help your child at home by practising the time, looking at the timings on tv guides and measuring out during cooking activities. We will be introducing decimals and applying this knowledge in money problems.

Maths homework will be set via My Maths and Times Table Rockstars.

Year 4: Summer 1: The Industrial Revolution

The Wider Curriculum

In Science, the children will be learning about living things and their environment. They will be investigating how humans affect local habitats for better and for worse. This links to the ICT topic where the children will be learning how to log data. They will be learning how to record weather data and present this electronically.

During art lessons the children will be learning about the William Morris, the artist. He was inspired by Islamic and Indian patterns. The children will be using artistic vocabulary.

In history, the children will be learning about the Industrial Revolution. They will be finding out what life was like in Britain before and after this period. They will also investigating the impact on the colonies and finding out about the slave trade.

We aim to get the children out in the fresh air as much as possible. In PE we will be making use of our field and practice athletics- specifically jumping and throwing. We will be teaching the children to record and measure their results.

Homework:

Maths and English homework will be given out on **Monday** and must be returned on Friday. Reading, spellings and times tables should be practised every night.

P.E. Timetable:

Class 4A: PE Monday and Wednesday

Class 4B: PE Tuesday and Thursday

Class 4C: PE Wednesday and Friday

Please ensure that your child brings in a full PE kit to school labelled with their name and class.

Uniform:

Children are expected to wear the correct school uniform. All uniform should be clearly labelled with your child's name and class. Please provide your child with a named water bottle.

Class Teachers are always happy to discuss your child. Just make an appointment via year4@jamescambellprimary.org.uk

We will be having an online parents evening in May. Please ensure we have your current contact details.