



Year Four News

A newsletter for Year 4 Parents

Spring Term 2024

Geography

This term we will be learning about Australia and the Great Barrier Reef.

If you have any relevant objects, books or pictures, please bring them into school to share.



Year 4 link with Azezo Tekelhaimanot Elementary School in Ethiopia! We will soon be receiving handwritten letters from the children which we will reply to. In the summer term, the children will plan a fundraising event for the school.

Please make sure your **PE kit** is in school. This term we will be participating in dance on Wednesdays and will be swimming every Thursday morning.

Year 4 Fashion Show!

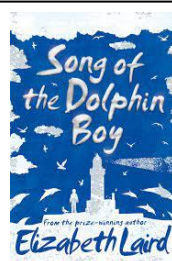
Year 4 will be proudly donning their eco self-made t-shirts and filming a fashion show in the Hall!

During our art lessons this term, we will be working with a range of materials to create 'fish inspired' art. We will be using charcoal to explore motion (horses and boats) using our literacy text as inspiration.

DT

Next term, we will be utilising recycled clothing and material in our DT lessons. Please save anything at home that we could use!

In English, we will be some high quality texts such as *Song of the Dolphin Boy* by Elizabeth Laird and *Story Like the Wind* by Gill Lewis. We will also be writing persuasive letters to the Australian Prime Minister!



For information on what we will be learning this term, please see the curriculum pages of our website; <https://www.stnicolasmary.w-sussex.sch.uk/site/data/files/curriculum/1E2735F4C7F4E8992F042136BC9D8733.pdf>

Home reading.

Please encourage your child to read every night.

Children in Y4 are often able to read independently but they still benefit from some time reading with an adult. This can be a great opportunity for children to read, enjoy and discuss more challenging texts. Please do encourage your child to record what they are reading in their 'Reading Records' as we check these on a Monday and a Friday.

Homework

This term homework will continue to be set on Friday. When there is a task, this will be due in by the next Friday. This will be posted on Google Classroom and paper copies will be available to those who request it. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you need your GC log in details.

Making Appointments

We are always happy to talk to parents about any questions or concerns they have. Please feel free to catch us after school or email is via the office make an appointment for another time.

Times Tables

Please help your child to learn their times tables up to 12 x 12. Remember that they also need to understand how we relate the multiplication facts to the division facts:-

$$3 \times 6 = 18$$

$$\text{so } 18 \div 6 = 3 \text{ and } 18 \div 3 = 6$$

