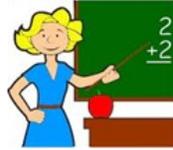


# Who's Who in Year 4



**Mrs Lord** Assistant Head Teacher  
Head of Year 4  
English Learning Group Teacher  
Maths Learning Group Teacher

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English Learning Group Teacher  
Maths Learning Group Teacher

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**Miss Watmough:** Red Class Teacher  
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**Mr Price** Green Class Teacher  
English Learning Group Teacher  
Maths Learning Group Teacher

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## Year 4 Teaching Assistants:

Mr Brown  
Mrs Dolman  
Mrs Laffey  
Mrs O'Donnell

## PE lessons:

PE lessons for all classes will take place on alternate Tuesdays and Wednesdays. It is advisable to leave P.E. kit in school during term time.

Swimming takes place on a Wednesday in Term 5 for 4B & 4G.

In Term 6 4R & 4Y will go swimming.  
Year 4 Sports Day is Monday 3rd July from 1:30pm



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# Year 4 Newsletter

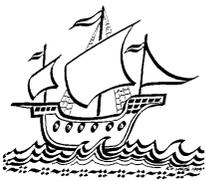
Terms 5 and 6

The Year 4 Team would like to thank you for encouraging and supporting your children as they progress through the year.

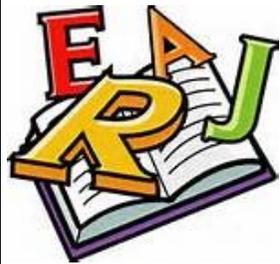
This booklet gives a quick resume of our teaching and learning programme during the next two terms. There are lots of exciting events happening across Terms 5 and 6. Here's a snapshot of what you can expect over the next two terms:



Date	Event
01/05/17	Bank Holiday—School closed to all pupils and staff
02/05/17	School resumes after Bank Holiday
04/05/17	Parent Workshop: Get Writing, 'How to Support at Home' - 2:00pm
08/05/17	Kingswood Parents Meeting—6:00pm
11/05/17	Puppet-Making Starts .
11/05/17	Parent Workshop: 'Flower Power' An Artistic Experience for Parents 1:45pm
12/05/17	PTFA Lower School Disco—5:30pm—6:45pm
16/05/17	<b>TUESDAY</b> -4G Class Assembly—9:00am
18/05 & 19/05/17	Kingswood Residential Trip
25/05/17	End of Term 5: School finishes at 3:15pm, Afterschool Club on until 6:15pm
26/05/17	INSET Day: School closed to all pupils
05/06/17	Start of Term 6: School opens to all pupils (7:45am for the Breakfast Club and 8:40am for the rest of the school)
09/06/17	Year 4 Land, Sea & Sky Exit Point—2:15pm Parents Welcome.
20/06/17	4B & 4G go to Canterbury Cathedral
23/06/17	4R & 4Y go to Canterbury Cathedral
28/06/17	NSPCC Assembly
30/06/17	Non-School Uniform Day in aid of NSPCC
03/07/17	Year 4 Sports Day—1:30pm
06/07/17	Transition Day: Year 4 meet their new Year 5 teachers
08/07/17	Upton Camp Out
10/07/17	Book Look 2:30pm
12/07/17	Swimming Gala
17/07/17	Reports sent home.
18/07/17	Year 6 Show —Winter Gardens
20/07/17	Whole School Picnic
20/07/17	Summer Fayre—Non School Uniform for bringing in a Tombola Prize—1:30pm—3:15pm
21/07/17	School Ends for this Academic Year at 2:15pm—There will be no Afterschool Club.



# Year 4 Topics



**English:** Following the text-based curriculum, English will be taught in learning groups as usual. The texts the children will be using are set according to their learning groups and are as follows:

The books being studied by the children this term include: The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe  
Within the 'text-based curriculum' key skills of spelling, grammar, writing, reading, vocabulary building and speaking and listening will be taught.  
Spellings sent home are from the National curriculum word lists and are related to the Read, Write Inc. 'Star Spelling' scheme.

**Maths:** We will be following the new maths curriculum which is organised into 7 concept areas. The children are in learning groups according to their needs and rate of progress. Homework is set using MyMaths, an online program, and weekly tables. Expectation of tables to be known in each year group has increased with the new curriculum. Children in Year 4 should now aim to know all their tables up to 12x12. Keep working on helping your child learn their tables forwards, backwards and in random order, along with quick-fire mental arithmetic calculations. We will be testing times tables weekly, in accordance with our new times table scheme of work, KungFu Mathsters.

### IPC Topics

Year 4 will continue studying the Units from the IPC and our topic themes for Terms 5 and 6 are Land, Sea and Sky and Communities. During Land, Sea and Sky, a Science based topic, the children will learn about food chains, lifecycles and environmental dangers. They will also complete a study on teeth and take part in a puppet making project. The second topic year 4 will study is Communities. This is a geography based topic, learning about our local community and environment. The topic includes a focus on the city of Canterbury, with a specific focus on the Cathedral and the influence of pilgrims. The trip is on Tuesday 20th and Friday 23rd June. More details to follow.



### Computing:

Mr Jackson will be teaching computer skills to the children on a Wednesday afternoon. 4R, 4Y in Term 5 and 4B, 4G in Term 6. This Programming Turtle Logo unit will teach children how to create an algorithm to program a procedure. Children are reminded of the basic commands and how to repeat alongside a variable. The children are then shown how to program their own procedures, use colour and set the position of the turtle using coordinates.



**R.E:** The whole school meets for collective worship. In class we will continue to learn about Judaism and Christianity.

**Design and Technology:** Our Design and Technology task will be to design and make a puppet show to demonstrate the learning that has taken place during our Land, Sea and Sky topic. This will incorporate the use of ICT to film and record the puppet shows as well as developing literacy skills to create a script. Cooperation and collaboration will also be utilised in full!

### Homework Tasks and Supporting your child at home:



The computer suite is open from 3:30 pm to 5:00 pm every day for parents and children to complete homework

◆ **READING:** Regular reading each week even if it's just for ten minutes per day. We would ask that parents complete the reading records so that English teachers can acknowledge and be in touch with the books they are reading.



◆ **SPELLINGS** are set each week.

◆ **MATHS:** 1 piece of MyMaths homework to be completed on a fortnightly basis. Written homework may be set instead. Tables to learn are sent home on a 'Kung-Fu' piece of paper.

◆ The site 'MyMaths.co.uk' is subscribed to by the school and may be used for homework tasks, playing games or working through lessons to consolidate learning.

### ◆ General Upton My Maths login:

- ◆ **User Name:** uptonjs
- ◆ **Password:** north

### Useful websites:

- [www.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk](http://www.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk)
- [www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2](http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2)
- [www.bbc.co.uk/schools/parents](http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/parents)
- [www.oxfordowl.co.uk](http://www.oxfordowl.co.uk)
- [www.readtheory.org](http://www.readtheory.org)
- [www.grammarmonster.com](http://www.grammarmonster.com)
- [www.planet-science.com](http://www.planet-science.com)



### Uniform:

In order that we can return missing items when found, please make sure your child's uniform is correctly labelled with name and current class. A reminder too that black shoes should be worn, no jewellery, except for stud earrings and no nail varnish, please.