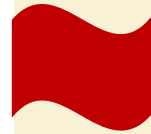


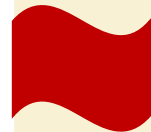
## Music

The children in Year 4 will have one music lesson per week. This will take place in the music room, which is equipped with lots of resources. This term year 4 will be studying basic keyboard skills. During the topic children will learn how to play different styles of music on the keyboard, along with listening skills and basic reading of notation. They will be starting the topic with note and finger positions building up to a keyboard performance piece. Along the way children will be introduced to different styles of music which they will be challenged to play using the knowledge gained from the topic. The first piece of music the children will tackle is the very famous 'Ode to Joy' by the great composer Ludwig Van Beethoven. The children will learn the context of music during this time period and will be challenged to play the melody, with correct finger positions.



## English

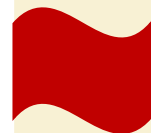
We are reading a text called 'The Anglo Saxons - Ladybird Histories'. This is a nonfiction book that the children are reading to learn how non-chronological reports are written. The children will learn the structural and language features of this text to help them write their own nonchronological report about the Anglo-Saxons. The children must ensure they are always writing in full sentences using correct punctuation, adjectives and fronted adverbials. Year 4 practise their handwriting every day, they should be consistently writing in Nelson font using the tram lines in their books.



## Maths

This half term we are learning about place value. Your child needs to know how to:

- Order and compare numbers beyond 1000.
- Represent numbers in different ways, such as on a number line and in expanded form.
- Identify and estimate the 4-digit numbers



## Art

In Art this term, Year 4 are learning about colours and will be working on creating self-portraits using complimentary colours, inspired by Henri Matisse and Pablo Picasso.



## Meetings and Appointments

We are always happy to talk to you about your child's progress and well-being. Our busiest times of the day are at the start of the day when children are arriving and at the end of the day, when we are ensuring children are dismissed safely. Please make an appoint with your child's class teacher through the main office.

## Physical Education

The children will have two PE lessons per week; one taught by the class teacher and the other taught by the PE coach—Mr Keen. In Physical Education we give our pupils the key knowledge they need for a healthy lifestyle, alongside improving their sporting repertoire. Pupils have been working hard to set new records for changing into kit! This term pupils will be focusing on developing their knowledge of basketball and handball, and how to perform their own premier league standard warm ups! Keep an eye out for our after-school clubs programme, and encourage your child to get their 60 minutes a day of healthy physical activity! It has been proven to improve exam results. Please ensure pupils have full PE kit with them so they can get as much PE as possible



# Ark Radio

Check out the pupil-led Ark Radio station!  
<http://arkchamberlain.org/life-school/ark-radio>

## Attendance

It is important that your child attends school every day. If they are absent, please make sure that you inform the school immediately.

**0121 464 8771**

## Key dates for your diary

**Wednesday**—Homework is due in. New homework given on a Friday.

**Tuesday and Thursday**—Children will need their PE kit.



## Year 4 Team

Mrs Hussain  
Mrs James  
Mrs Khatun  
Mr Ibrahim  
Mr Campbell-Cave

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## Year 4 Curriculum Newsletter



## Welcome to Year 4!

*This booklet will explain what your child will be learning over the coming weeks and how you can support their progress at home. We are really looking forward to working with you this year.*