

## Homework

Homework is given out on Wednesday and is due back in on Monday. Please check the homework with your child on Wednesday; this way they can ask about anything that they do not understand on Friday before the weekend.

Your child is expected to read daily and their reading record should be signed by an adult.

Children are required to complete 45 minutes each per week of Maths Whizz and Bug Club online. If it is not convenient for your child to access this at home they are free to do so at lunchtime or before school.

## PE

PE will be every Monday afternoon. Please ensure children have a red t-shirt and black/grey bottoms with black plimsolls or trainers.

## Uniform

Please ensure your child wears the correct school uniform every day and that **ALL** items are named.

Remember to come and see our class assemblies for more information about our learning in Y4!

Let's aim for...



School starts at 8:55  
Let's aim to be on time  
every day this  
term.  
100%

IN THE LINE AT 5 TO 9!



Thomas Buxton  
Primary School  
Learning Together

Spring Term 2017  
at Thomas Buxton



Welcome back  
to a new start  
in Year 4!  
We have so  
much planned  
for you...



## Staff

**Phase Leader: Sasha Elliott**

**Lime Teacher: Katie Maynard**

**Chestnut Teacher: Clare Milne**



### English

Children will continue to develop their writing skills with explanation texts and narrative texts along with exploring poetry too! There will be a particular focus on reading for pleasure and grammar next term—Guided Reading will happen 4 times a week and there will be a Grammar every week led by Ms Elliott.

### Maths

Y4's maths learning will focus on moving on from mental methods to written methods this term. They will also look further into the concepts of fractions, measure, symmetry and time. The children also have a mental maths test every Thursday so ask them how they did! We like to see an improvement in marks each week. There will also be a big focus on reasoning and talking about our thinking!

### History and Geography

In the second half of the Spring term Y4 will be learning all about the Ancient Greeks! They will look particularly at the impact the Ancient Greeks had on our society today and the difference between Athens and Sparta.

### Science

There is lots of Science this term! We will link our electricity unit to The Iron Man by Ted Hughes, which we will be studying in our English lessons. Later in the term, Y4 will be exploring and investigating sound by carrying out practical experiments!

### RE

This term Y4 will consider different beliefs around God. This will give us a chance to compare different religions and identify similarities and differences.

### PE

Y4 are lucky enough to have a coach for their PE this term—this will include a mixture of tennis and gymnastics.

### Art and DT

Our Art and DT work will enhance other areas of the curriculum this term. We will be designing, making and evaluating our own robots. What would you like a robot to do for you?

### Computing

In Y4, the topic will be 'We Are Musicians' and children will use various software to compose their own music. They will then use this music to make a movie soundtrack.

### Music

The children will have a weekly recorder lesson with Ms Gibbons. They will also continue to develop their confidence in singing. Charlotte Brennan, from Voices Foundation, will continue to support us with this.