

English and Maths

The English and Maths overviews for Year 4 are available on our school website.

At St Christopher Primary we plan the children's learning very carefully. The learning that takes place can vary slightly from the original plan to take account of children's interests and abilities.

PE Kits

The children will be taking part in indoor and outdoor sessions throughout the year. Please ensure PE Kits are in school at all times:

INSIDE PE KIT

White t-shirt, dark blue shorts and pumps

OUTSIDE PE KIT

Long trousers, tracksuit top and trainers

Reading Books

Children will bring reading books home on a regular basis. Please support them with reading at home. To encourage children to read at home, we have started a 'Reading Hero' competition which runs weekly. To succeed, children need to read with an adult four times over a week and ensure their reading diary is signed. Winners each week will be given special privileges.

Spellings

These will be sent home on a Thursday in their log book. Please support the children with practising these words at home. It is really important these books are back in school on a Monday so they can be used in lessons. For more information about spelling, please see the inside of the log books.

Home Learning Challenges

On a Friday the children will be given a learning challenge to be completed independently out of school. The children will be able to share what they produce with their class and teacher on the following Friday afternoon.



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Year 4 Curriculum Leaflet 2017-2018

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Overview of Learning in Year 4 2017-2018

This year in **History** the pupils will be learning:

- About Britain's invasion and settlement by Anglo-Saxons.
- About the Viking and Anglo-Saxon struggle for the Kingdom of England to the time of Edward the Confessor.
- About the events of the Battle of Hastings and the Norman Conquest.

This year in **Geography** the pupils will be learning:

- How to use maps, atlases and globes to locate countries, seas and oceans of the world.
- About the changes in the world with a focus on environmental issues.
- About Human and Physical Geography, identifying types of settlements and land use, economic activity including trade links, and the distribution of natural resources including energy, food, minerals and water.
- To identify locations and landmarks in America, concentrating on tourist attractions.

This year in **Art** the pupils will be learning:

- To improve their mastery of art and design techniques, including drawing, painting and sculpture with a range of materials.
- Create sketch books to record their observations and use them to review and revisit ideas.

This year in **Design and Technology** the pupils will be learning:

- To use research to develop design criteria to inform the designs of products.
- Select from and use a wider range of materials and components including a range of tools.

This year in **Music** the pupils will be learning:

- About a range of musical genres, instruments and sounds across a period of time.
- To play and perform in solo and group contexts, using their voices and playing musical instruments with increasing accuracy, fluency, control and expression.
- To compose short pieces of music.

This year in **Science** the pupils will be learning:

- Habitats and Living Things: Learning about vertebrates and invertebrates, the habitats they live in and the changes that they adapt to in their environment.
- Sound: Exploring how sounds are made on a variety of instruments and how they can be changed in volume, pitch and over distance.
- Power of Electricity: constructing circuits, identifying types of appliances.
- Teeth and Healthy Eating: children will be learning about the functions of teeth and why it is important to keep teeth clean. They will also be looking at healthy food choices, food chains and predators and prey.
- States of Matter: children will be learning about states of matter. They will compare and group materials together, according to whether they are solids, liquids or gases. They will observe that some materials change state when heated or cooled, and they will identify the part played by evaporation and condensation in the water cycle.
- Developing scientific skills: The children will have a chance to explore and investigate making bubbles and products which contain bubbles.

This year in **Computing** the pupils will be learning:

- Creating a Class Wiki information page based on historical research and knowledge.
- Developing Software and digital recordings to create an animated game.
- Producing and composing digital music using a range of sources, to create a piece of film music.

This year in **Modern Foreign Languages (Spanish)** the pupils will be learning:

- Instructional phrases
- Names of common animals
- Use language to describe size
- Start to use adjectives with nouns
- Give opinions about food
- Identify parts of the body
- Revise food items and numbers 1-15

This year in **Faith and Belief (RE)**: the pupils will be learning:

Over this year the children will be learning about different faiths and beliefs, along with the importance of respecting and appreciating similarities and differences in the world around us. The children will learn about traditions and celebrations both through class activities and assemblies.

This year in **PE and Sport** the pupils will be learning:

- Invasion Games.
- Gymnastics and Circuit.
- Outdoor Adventure Activities and Orienteering.
- Striking/Fielding.