



# ST PAUL'S C of E COMBINED SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

## Year 4 – Spring Term

May I take this opportunity to say a heartfelt thank you to you all for the generous gifts we all received before Christmas and to wish you all a peaceful New Year.

Please continue to support your child by ensuring they have the equipment they require in school, which is named where possible, and that they arrive at school punctually each morning. It would be really helpful if each child also had their own glue stick in their pencil case. Any boxes of tissues that can be donated are also gratefully received, especially at this time of year.

Our PE days this term will remain on a Monday, with swimming lessons on a Thursday at High Wycombe Leisure Centre. Please ensure your child brings their complete swimming kit into school each Thursday.

In English, the children will study the book, *Jemmy Button*, by Jennifer Uman and Valerio Vidali, then move onto the explanation text *Until I Met Dudley*, by Roger McGough for the second half of term.

Spellings will be given out each week as before, with the children having a week to learn them before a test on Tuesday of the following week.

Maths will begin with work on multiplication and division. Year 4 has a heavy focus on times tables knowledge. Each child is required to be confident in multiplication facts, up to 12 x 12, and develop quick recall before the end of this academic year. In the Summer Term, the children will complete the statutory MTC assessment, where they will have 25 multiplication questions to answer, with 6 seconds per question. **Quick recall is essential to achieving their best possible result.** We will then move on with work to include fractions and decimals.

Finches will be making money containers in their DT lessons, whilst exploring painting and mixed media - light and dark in Art. We will be stepping back in time to Ancient Greece where Finches will explore everyday life. The Geography focus will be based on a study of Whitby.

In RE our first topic is thinking about whether holy journeys are necessary for believers. The second topic this term will be considering if believers should give things up.

We will begin our Music lessons this term exploring changes in pitch, tempo and dynamics, moving onto learning to play the recorder after half term. If your child has one of their own that they would like to bring in that would be great, but we do have school ones that can be borrowed.

Year 4 has the most wonderful opportunity this year to participate in the Energize Desert Quest 2025 performance that will take place at the Wycombe Swan on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March

and Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> March. The rehearsal sessions will be held at High Wycombe Town Hall on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February 9.30am-2.30pm and Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> March 9.30am-2.30pm. Finches will play the part of the camels, and camel herders, so if you are able to please provide your child with an appropriate costume (a shepherd's costume will greatly suffice). Please ensure you have completed the necessary permissions paperwork allowing your child to participate.

Reading books and library books will continue to be changed whenever necessary including each morning playtime. Please continue to encourage your child to read every day and record any reading completed on the BoomReader app.

The Spring Home Learning Grid is available on Teams. If any paper copies are required, then do please ask as I can provide these for you. Home Learning is an important part of your child's learning journey and helps to instil study skills in preparation for the next stage of their schooling. It is a great way for families and carers to be involved in their child's education, giving a chance to talk about their learning. Please try to upload the completed tasks within the given timeframes. If tasks are regularly not being completed, we may contact you to see if there is any further help that we can support you with.

If you do have any queries, please contact the School Office in the first instance unless it is urgent.

I look forward to an exciting and successful Spring Term.

Kind regards,  
Mrs Burgess

	Timetable	Home learning given out	Home learning due in
Monday	PE		
Tuesday		Spelling Test	
Wednesday			
Thursday	Swimming Please ensure your child has a towel, swimming costume and swimming hat.	Home Learning Task	Chosen Home Learning task due in following Thursday
Friday			