

Year 4 Term 6 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! I hope everyone had a fantastic break. I can't believe it is our last term of the year! Term 6 is always a busy one, so I'm sure this one will fly by too. Our learning for Term 6 is detailed below so you can support your children in their learning at home. Please keep up to date with the latest news from Year 4 by following our Twitter account (@Fva_y4) and by checking our Wordpress page regularly. I am always available if you need to speak to me at the end of the day but you can also contact me via email (either via the school office or directly at year4@fva.clf.uk). See you on the playground!



We are Readers

The children are able to borrow a range of suitable fiction and non-fictions texts from school.

Children should read every day and they should **read to an adult at least twice a week**. Please record each time you read with your child in the yellow Reading Record. We recommend 10 minutes every day to really give children the best opportunities to develop their confidence in reading. I will also read with them on a rotation of days.

We are Writers

In Term 5, our writing will be based around the fiction text *The Great Kapok Tree by Lynne Cherry.* Over the term, we will be using this text as a stimulus for our own inarrative. Our focus will be using direct speech in our writing. Our non-fiction outcome will be a persuasive letter.

We are Mathematicians

We will start the term by focusing on money. We will learn to write money using decimals and solving calculations involving amounts of money. We will then move on to telling the time. We will review telling the time to the nearest minute on an analogue clock. We will explore converting between analogue and digital times and converting between 12- and 24-hour times. After time, we will look at shape and interpreting graphs.

In order to build and maintain number fluency, we will be consolidating our mental and written arithmetic skills throughout the term in our Mathmagicians sessions.

We are Scientists

This term, we are studying Physics. We will continue to focus on Sound. We will learn how sound travels through different mediums. We will investigate how the volume and pitch of sound can change. Additionally, we will learn how to measure sound using decibels and amplitude.



We are Athletes

PE will be taught twice a week, on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Please ensure that children come into school wearing their school PE kits on these days. Please label all items of clothing clearly.



We are Geographers



In Term 6, we are going to be comparing the geography of the England and Peru. We will be learning about biomes, vegetation belts and climate zones and thinking about how these compare in England and Peru. We will also compare the land use and trade links of both places.

We are Home Learners

Each week, children in Year 4 are expected to:

- Read to an adult at least twice and record it in their yellow reading record
- Play TTRS for a total of 20 minutes
- Learn the weekly spellings for the test on Friday

We are Frome Vale Citizens

This term's Learning Behaviour is **curiosity.** The FVA Value is **forgiveness**. We will be thinking about how we can demonstrate and practice courage in our lives. Our Y4 key question will be: "Should everyone be forgiven?"