

Year 4 Term 3 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our learning for Term 3 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 checking our Class Dojo page. I am always available if you need to speak to me at the end of the day but you can also contact me via Class Dojo. See you on the playground!

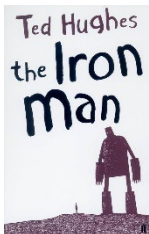
We are Readers

The children can borrow a range of suitable fiction and non-fiction 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.



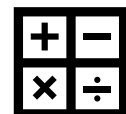
We are Writers



In Term 3, our writing will be based around the fiction text *The Iron Man*. Over the term, we will be using this text as a stimulus for a variety of writing tasks including writing our own adapted narrative. In addition to this, we will be writing a set of instructions for how to capture the Iron Man.

We are Mathematicians

In this term, we are going to be extending our understanding of multiplication and division. In this unit, we are going to be exploring how to use known facts to derive new information. We will be exploring the idea of commutativity and identifying fact families, where we used known facts to find new ones.



In order to build and maintain fluency with our multiplication facts, we will continue daily and weekly routines designed to support times tables knowledge.

We are Scientists



This term, we are studying electricity.

In this unit, we will learn how to make simple series circuits, understanding that a circuit must be complete for electricity to flow. We will also use scientific symbols to represent components when we draw our own circuits. We will explore which materials are conductors and insulators of electricity.

We are Athletes

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



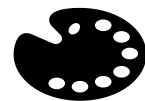
We are Historians



In Term 3, we are going to study the Vikings. In this unit, we will learn about how and why the Vikings invaded Britain in the 8th century. We will also learn about Danelaw and the Anglo-Saxon defence against the Vikings led by Alfred the Great.

We are Artists

In Term 3, we will be focusing on printing. We will be creating our own patterns using various printing techniques inspired by real print artists.



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
- Practise their timestables using TTRS – the aim is to routinely achieve a score of 25 on Soundcheck mode
- Practise the weekly spellings for the test on Friday (Spelling Shed)

In addition, there are home learning activity suggestions related to our school topics available on our class WordPress page:

<https://wordpress.com/page/fromevalecitizens.wordpress.com/7574>

We are Frome Vale Citizens

This term's Learning Behaviour is **Self-evaluation**. The FVA Value is **Truth/Honesty**. We will be thinking about how we can demonstrate and practice honesty in our lives. Our key question will be: *Why is honesty so difficult at times?*