

## Year 4 Newsletter – Summer 1 – April to May 2022

### DAYS TO REMEMBER

<b>Monday</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10mins read out loud, write in Reading Record</li> <li>• Practice spellings</li> </ul>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Homework due in</li> <li>• 10mins read out loud, write in Reading Record</li> <li>• Practice spellings</li> <li>• Pack swimming kit, ready for tomorrow</li> </ul>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bring in swimming kit</li> <li>• 10mins read out loud, write in Reading Record</li> <li>• Practice spellings</li> </ul>
<b>Thursday</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trumpet lesson</li> <li>• 10mins read out loud, write in Reading Record</li> <li>• Practice spellings</li> </ul>
<b>Friday</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wear PE kit</li> <li>• Spelling test, new spellings given out</li> <li>• Maths homework given out</li> <li>• 10mins read out loud, write in Reading Record</li> </ul>

### Reading at home

All children at West Hill are expected to read out loud to an adult for at least **10 minutes each evening** and answer questions about what they have read and what they think might happen next. This should be recorded in the reading record at least three times a week.  
Please read a story to your child at bedtime each night as well as visiting your local library regularly.

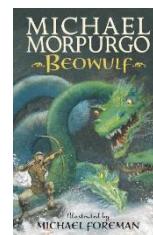


### School Uniform

The uniform consists of:

Boys	Girls
Pale blue polo shirt Grey Trousers Grey shorts (Summer Term) West Hill sweatshirt Black shoes (no trainers)	Pale Blue blouse or polo shirt Grey skirt or trousers Blue checked dress (summer) West Hill sweatshirt Black shoes (no trainers)
Plain blue or black hairbands Plain blue/ black headscarves	

### Year 4 book recommendations



**Beowulf** was a brave Prince who courageously defeated a terrifying monster called Grendel. This version is told by the author **Michael Morpurgo**.



**She Wolf** by **Dan Smith** is a Viking adventure story set in the cold, harsh winter of Northern England. Ylva must seek revenge for her mother's death.



**Arthur and the Golden Ropes** is a cross between a picture book and a graphic novel. Arthur is on a quest to seek out the help of the Viking gods in relighting a fire that keeps his village warm.

### Wandsworth Town Library opening times:

Mon – CLOSED  
Tue – 9am-7pm  
Wed – 9am-7pm  
Thu – 9am-7pm  
Fri – 9am-5pm  
Sat – 9am-7pm  
Sun – CLOSED



### Nurturing Principles

*We believe in ourselves.*

*We all learn in our own way and in our own way.*

*We use our own words to talk about how we are feeling.*

*We can cope with the changes in our lives.*

*Our feelings can show how we are feeling.*

*Our school is a safe place to be.*



## English

**Writing:** We will be learning how to write effective dialogue (speech), discussions, descriptions and recounts (retelling something that happened in the past).

**Reading:** We will continue to use a Whole Class Reading approach to develop our reading and comprehension skills.

**Spelling and Grammar:** We will be revising different tenses, word classes and sentence structures. We will be revising the year 3/4 word lists and spelling rules already covered.

## Art/DT

**Art and DT:** We will be exploring artwork and undertaking a DT project both relating to our topic (Anglo-Saxons and Vikings).

## Music

We have trumpet lessons every **Thursday** with specialised music teachers from **Wandsworth Music**.

## Physical Education

Wednesday – Swimming  
Friday – Gymnastics with Rachel

## French

We will be learning the French words for colours and using them in speech and writing.



## YEAR 4 – Summer 1

### Topic: What happened when the Anglo-Saxons and Vikings met?



## History

We will be learning about who the Anglo-Saxons and Vikings were and what happened when they met. We will learn about how their clothing, housing, religion and weapons were different.

## Computing

E-safety; designing toys; editing HTML script.

## Dates for your diary

27 <sup>th</sup> April	Coffee morning – Coping with anxiety
4 <sup>th</sup> May	Coffee morning – Science around us
8 <sup>th</sup> June	Coffee morning – Coping with transitions
23 <sup>rd</sup> June, 7pm	Drama performance at Wandsworth Civic Suite, High Street, SW18 2PU
20 <sup>th</sup> – 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4 Multiplications Test
30 <sup>th</sup> June	Trumpet concert at West Hill
30 <sup>th</sup> June – 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	HALF TERM
8 <sup>th</sup> July TBC	Summer Fair

## Maths

**Maths:** We will be learning about decimals, money, time, statistics and geometry (2D shapes).

Please continue to help your child practice their times tables in preparation for the Year 4 multiplications tables check which will take place sometime during 20<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> June.

## Science

**Living things** – We will be learning about living things including plants and animals. This will include the differences between vertebrates and invertebrates, how animals are classified and the environments that animals live in.

## Religious Education

**Sikhism** – We will be learning about Sikhism including the religion's main beliefs, places of worship, the Five Ks, and the life of Guru Nanak.

## PSHE

**Living in the wider world** – How the media presents information.

**Health and well-being** – Goals, dreams and resolving differences.

## Anti-bullying