

Year 4 Newsletter – Spring 2 – February to April 2023

**DAYS TO REMEMBER**

<b>Monday</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wear PE kit</li> <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>• Wear PE kit</li> </ul>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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>• 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 ask them 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.

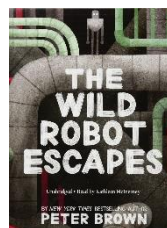
Please read a story to your child at bedtime each night as well as visiting your local library each week if you can.

**School Uniform**

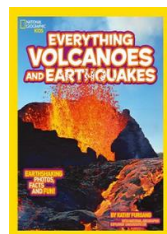
The uniform consists of:

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

**Year 4 book recommendations**

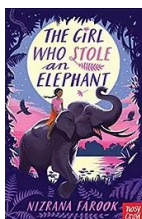


**The Wild Robot Escapes** by **Peter Brown**. Did you enjoy our class story The Wild Robot last term? If so, then why not read the sequel by the same author?!



**Volcanoes and Earthquakes**, part of the **National Geographic Kids 'Everything'** series. This half term we are learning about natural disasters.

Why not do some of your own reading at home?



In **The Girl Who Stole an Elephant** by **Nizrana Farook**, Chaya leads her friends on a joyous adventure through the jungle.

**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.*

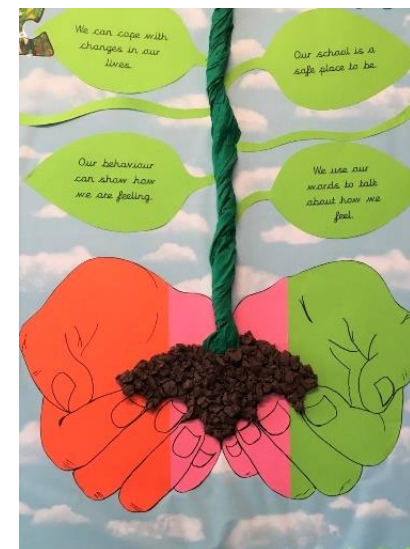
*We all learn in our own way and in our own way.*

*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

This term we will be looking at poetry and the work of Karl Nova, linking to the ongoing Reflecting Realities project Year 4 is taking part in.

**Reading:** We will continue to explore how to skim and scan text as well as how to answer inference and deduction style questions.

**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

We will be analysing works of art, using inference and prediction to explore what might be depicted and intended by the artists. Creating photo collages and abstract art inspired by the work explored.

## Music

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

## Physical Education

Monday – with Miss Campbell  
Frida – with Shaun

## French

We will be learning vocabulary and phrases relating to our family.



**YEAR 4**

**Spring 2**

**Topic: How do natural disasters occur?**



**Geography**

We will be learning about what materials the earth is made from. We will discover which of the earth's natural processes pose threats to people and wildlife.

## Computing

E-safety, We are musicians Garage band.

## Dates for your diary

**3rd March** -World Book Day, come to school dressed as a book character.

**3rd March** - KS2 Reading for Pleasure parent's workshop - Tara from LTLTR and Jane A.

**6th March** - Magic Breakfast launch.

**17th March** - Red Nose Day (fundraising for Turkey and Syria)

**29th March** - Rock Steady Concert 2.30 bottom hall.

**30th March** - Year 3 and 4 music concert. -10.15 bottom hall.

## Maths

**Maths:** We will be learning about fractions and decimals and solving a range of problems involving both. Fractions builds on previous learning on division and decimals builds on previous learning on number place value.

Please continue to help your child practice their times tables in preparation for the Year 4 multiplications tables check in June 2023.

## Science

**States of matter** – We will learn about solids, liquids and gases and how certain substances can change between these states. This complements our Geography learning on the water cycle – the cycle of processes by which water moves between earth's oceans, atmosphere and land.

## Religious Education

**The Easter story** – We will learn about the Easter story and why it is important for followers of Christianity and other religions.

## PSHE

**Living in the wider world**

**Health and well-being** – Keeping safe

**Relationships** – valuing difference, feelings and emotions, healthy relationships.