# English

In English we will be making links with our topics to provide opportunities to write a variety of genres including: diaries, narratives and information texts. We will also be writing descriptions of characters and settings. Some of our work will be based around the popular novels "The London Eye Mystery" and "The Creakers". Where possible we will be linking the writing to our topic work. Handwriting and spelling is also a big focus in year 4 and children will be practising joining letters. We will also be working with the children on their grammar and punctuation and placing an increased emphasis on reading comprehension, particularly during regular guided reading sessions as well as shared

reading sessions.



#### Year 4 Staff

- Mrs. Wilson (4AW)
- Mr Buxton (4BX)
- Miss Burns (4FB)
- Mrs Laight
- Miss Couch
- Miss Dwyer
- Miss Slater



Children are allowed to bring a healthy snack for break times and a bottle from home. Please ensure this is filled with water only. Children will be able to refill their bottles in school.

#### PE Days

PE days for all classes in year 4 are Thursday and Friday. (Wednesday and Thursday for the first 6 weeks of term).

Children in Year 4 will be learning a variety of skills in PE lessons such as throwing, catching, balancing and dance.

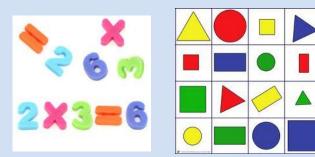
On P.E days, please ensure your child comes to school in PE kit. We recommend tracksuit bottoms, a t-shirt, a jumper and trainers.

Please ensure all jewelry is removed before coming to school.

# Maths

In Maths we will be focusing on place value and calculation methods. Children will be working with increasingly larger numbers. We will build on our knowledge of written methods from previous years for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.

Children will also be working on their arithmetic, reasoning and problem solving skills.



During year 4 children will be learning their multiplication tables on a daily basis. Please encourage your child to read the times table they are learning every day to enable them to progress quicker. To help them with this we have access to various websites. The children have their login details for Times Tables Rockstars, and Sumdog.

### **Science**

Science lessons are often embedded in our topic work and this term we will be looking at studying electricity and states of matter. Children will have the opportunity to make predictions, observations and evaluations, as well as complete simple experiments This is known as working scientifically.





If you have any questions or queries, please email: Forestyear4@forestlodgeacademy.co.uk Forest Lodge Academy A L.E.A.D. Academy

#### **Homework**

Read your reading book and bring it back to school with the diary signed and dated at least 3 times a week.

Practise your spellings at home.

Complete your times tables homework and complete a sound check on TTRockstars 3 times a week.

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## Topic

Our topics that we cover combine subjects such as Geography, History, Art and Design. Children will begin with a topic called 'London' where we will be developing our geographical skills by looking at the location of London in comparison to other major cities in the United Kingdom. Another topic will be 'A bump in the night', where they will be learning all about the origins of Halloween .



