



Wiveliscombe Primary School Curriculum Information

Year

Year 4

Term

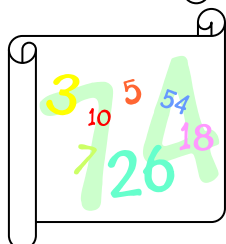
Summer 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

This letter is designed to provide key information about learning this term.

SUBJECT	CONTENT
English	In English, we will be exploring a wide range of text types including recounts, play scripts, information and instructional texts and poetry. The children will write a diary entry as King Henry VIII and investigate natural disasters for an information text. The children will continue to consolidate their reading strategies and comprehension of a variety of texts and answer questions based upon them. We will also consolidate previous learning and broaden the children's understanding and use of grammatical techniques and devices.
Maths	In maths, the children will be studying converting length, mass and volume; symmetry; area and perimeter and geometry this term. We will be learning to use our place value and division skills to convert measurements, and our multiplication and addition skills to calculate perimeter and area of shapes. The children will work on developing their ability to solve number and practical problems using the basic skills of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.
Science	The children will learn about electricity and sound this term. We will look at how to make a basic electrical circuit as well as how to make a switch with a paperclip and a split pin. In the second half term, we will focus on sound starting with how sound is created, is heard and what happens when sound is made louder or softer. We will make some homemade instruments in class to investigate some of these areas.
Computing	The children will learn to use technology safely, respectfully and responsibly, recognising acceptable/unacceptable behaviour and how to report concerns. We will be practising research on the internet and the children will develop their coding skills by creating a game on Scratch.
MFL	The children will be developing a proficiency in day-to-day French words and phrases. They will be using role-play to enhance their conversation skills, singing songs and using a variety of interactive activities.
Geography	In Geography this term, we will be exploring the UK. We will be focusing on learning the counties of England as well as the main rivers in the UK. We will also look at the shortest and longest rivers and how they could travel from the source to the mouth of the River Thames using different forms of transport.
History	We will be studying the Tudors from the Battle of Bosworth Field in the War of the Roses up to Elizabethan times with famous explorers such as Sir Walter Raleigh. We will look at houses for all classes of Tudor people as well as general Tudor life. We will also explore the Kings and Queens of the Tudor period as well as the many wives of Henry VIII.
RE	Throughout this term, we will be looking at Christianity with a particular focus on Agape, unconditional love. We will look at what the bible tells us about unconditional love using parables from the New Testament and using questioning to help us understand the messages being given.
Art and DT	In Art, the children will be focussing on Giacometti and wire sculpture. We will be designing our own sculpture and creating it out of aluminium wire. In DT this term, the children will be creating their own torch. We will create our own switches and turn a plastic drinks bottle into a working torch.
Music	This term, we will continue to practise our recorder skills. We will be learning a new song, expanding our knowledge on notes and playing along to a backing track.
PE & Forest School	We will be using our fine and gross motor skills to work on our fitness in the first half of this term. In the second half of the term, we will be developing our swimming skills and focus on invasion games at the recreational ground.
PSHE & RSE	There will be a focus on respectful relationships including caring friendships this term, as well as valuing differences in everyone.

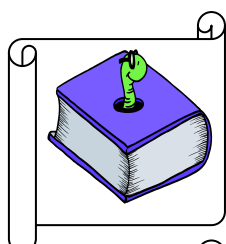
Homework



MATHS

Maths homework will be set on a Wednesday to consolidate the week's learning and should be returned the following Wednesday.

Children also need to complete ongoing practise of all times tables on www.timestables.co.uk. The children will be given their login details for this and we will be also using this in school.

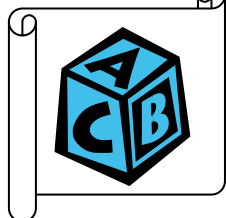


ENGLISH

English homework will be set on a Wednesday to consolidate the week's learning and should be returned the following Wednesday.

Homework tasks should be completed either on the worksheet or the paper provided and should be completed using a sharp pencil.

Children should be encouraged to write for pleasure at home.

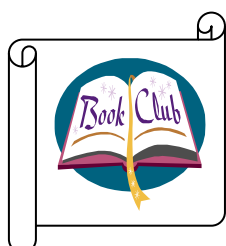


SPELLING

Weekly spelling tests will be set every Friday and tested the following Friday.

Spellings should be practised everyday including lists from previous weeks.

Children should be able to spell all words from the Y3/4 statutory Word List.



READING

Children should read regularly at home and record it in their reading records at least three times per week.

Reading record books should be signed by an adult when your child has read to you and returned every day with your child's reading book.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Contact with Mrs Hellier and Mrs Hansen – Should you have any enquiries, you are always welcome to speak to me outside of the classroom at the beginning and end of the day. Alternatively, you can reach me by emailing the school office: office@wiveliscombeprimary.com

Absence - If your child is absent from school, or late due to an appointment, please telephone the school before registration closes at 9:15.

Physical Education - PE is on Tuesdays and Fridays. Please ensure that your child has a named PE kit in school every Monday and they will take it home on Friday. This should include: black/dark blue shorts, plain house coloured t-shirt, daps or trainers and black/dark blue tracksuit bottoms for colder weather.

Forest School—Our Forest school session will be on a Tuesday morning. Please bring children into school in their outdoor clothes and wearing school shoes. We will change them into their wellies once in school. They should bring their uniform to change back into afterwards. Outdoor clothing should consist of clothes that you don't mind them getting dirty and currently, waterproof trousers, hats, scarfs and gloves may be required.

Water bottles—Please send your child in with a named water bottle everyday, containing only water.

Snack—Your child is welcome to bring a healthy snack with them to school for break time. Please note that we are a nut-free school and therefore do not permit any items containing nuts.

Please ensure that all clothing, lunchboxes and water bottles are clearly named.

We are looking forward to a wonderful term in Year 4. Thank you! Mrs Hellier