

Physical Education: PE lessons will continue to take place on Tuesday and Thursdays. Our PE Teacher from the Trust will teach the Tuesday slot and Mrs Clifton will teach our Thursday session. All children must keep their PE kit in school. Full PE kit consists of white T-shirt/polo shirt, black shorts/joggers/leggings, and trainers or pumps. Earrings need to be removed and long hair tied back.

Geography: Our geographical focus is a study of Our geographical focus is a study of UK capital cities during which we will use maps to locate the 4 UK countries and their capitals. We will also learn about the physical and human features of Edinburgh, Belfast and Cardiff comparing what is similar and different about them.

French: We will be delivering some fun and practical French sessions this year, through which children will be given the opportunity to further develop their language skills, whilst also revising some key vocabulary from previous years.



Y4 will learn new vocabulary for numbers / colours and classroom objects through which they will begin to be introduced to some more complex language structures, e.g. asking questions and the future tense.

Homework

For homework, we continue to set tasks using the homework menu. As this is a significantly shorter term, the menu will last for the whole of Spring term. Children will need to complete 9 of the 12 tasks set. They will also need to go on TT Rock stars, read 3 or more times a week and learn their Emile spellings. Homework will still be set on a Friday and will be due the following Tuesday.

Thank you for your continued support!

Aston Hall Junior and Infant School

Curriculum Booklet for Parents



Aston Hall

Spring Term 2024

Y4HS

Staff

Mrs Booth – Y3 teacher

Mrs Peach – Y3 teacher

Ms Woodcock – Y3/4 teacher

Mr Steeple – Y4 teacher

Mrs Stickland – LKS2 (Y3&4)TA

Mrs Clifton– TA and PPA cover

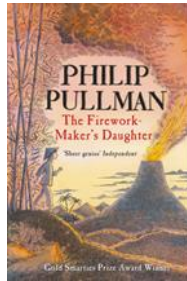
Mrs Lindley – TA and SEND

support

Welcome to Spring term in Y4HS! We hope you had a lovely Christmas break; we were pleased to see your children happily returning to school in 2024. Below, we have collated some useful information for this term.

Maths: We will continue to focus on multiplication and division facts for all times tables. Following this, we will be moving on to securing the children's knowledge of fractions, beginning with halves, quarters and thirds of number and shape and the application of these to problem solving contexts.

English Novel Study: Our English lessons are always delivered through high-quality, engaging texts, and this term, we are studying *The Firework Maker's Daughter*. Our writing continues to be themed around our class novel, ensuring children learn a wide variety of vocabulary and knowledge along the way. We will be writing instructions on how to wash an elephant, creating a persuasive advert for Rambashi's Jungle Grill as well as planning and writing our own narratives. In addition to this, we will be producing some information texts about mythical creatures. We will build upon the skills needed to be a successful writer, with a focus on conjunctions to extend sentences and greater accuracy within spelling, punctuation and grammar.



Science: In science, we will be learning about Planets and the Solar System, Light and Sound. Through this unit, Y4 will study the composition of Earth and look at other planets in our Solar System.

Religion and ethics We will be learning about the importance of forgiveness and temptation, exploring different religions and ethics from around the world.

History: This term we are stepping back in time to study the Vikings with a particular focus on the impact on the settlements in the UK. We will look at the structure of their armies and clothing and will also look into how the Vikings influenced the world today. We will continue to build up our knowledge of the chronological order of history in Britain and how our previously learnt topics all link together.

Music: Our LKS2 music lessons are taught every Tuesday by our specialist WPT music teacher, Mrs Gibbons. The children have already enjoyed sessions involving performing

through singing, and they will continue to develop their knowledge of music through both voice and musical instruments.

Jigsaw PSHE: We will begin Spring Term with our 'Dreams and Goals' unit, where we will consider challenges faced by ourselves and others and how to overcome these. Then we will move to our second unit 'Healthy Me' where we will learn how to stay safe and healthy and who we can go to for help.



Art and DT: Throughout the spring term, we will be learning about Leonardo Da Vinci and Mackenzie Thorpe. All of our work will be with pencil and paint. We will look back at our visit to the Peak District to paint pictures of landscapes and visit some of Da Vinci's most famous paintings, whilst sketching our own still life drawings.

Gulliver's Residential Information Meeting

We would like to invite you into school on Wednesday 28th February at 5pm to share information with you about the LKS2 residential trip to Gulliver's Valley (on April 18th-19th).

Other Events

Thursday 1st February – INSET day & parents evening appointments
Friday 2nd February - Y4 Music Workshop