









This half term we will be learning the following things. Here are also some useful hints and tips for helping at home.

	At School	At Home
English	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Writing a non-chronological report about an Ancient Greek god Writing a story to entertain, focusing on fronted adverbials and commas In reading lessons we will be continuing to focus on fluency and comprehension whilst reading "Song Of The River" by Gill Lewis. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage your child to read at least four times a week. Read with your child to promote a love of reading. <p>Our class novel will be "Ariki and The Island of Wonders" by Nicola Davies.</p>
Maths	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adding and subtracting in columns using exchanging Interpreting pictograms, bar charts and line graphs with different scales Learning our 3 and 6 times tables 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Practise any times tables your child is not confident with. Using TT Rockstars for 3 minutes each day can make a huge difference—little and often.
Science	<p>In Science, pupils will complete the topic 'States of Matter and The Water Cycle' and then begin "Sound".</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore evaporation and condensation in the water cycle Explain that sound energy / vibrations travel from a source through a medium (solids, liquids, gases) to the ear Investigate how volume of sound is linked to the strength of the vibrations that produce it Explore how pitch of a sound is linked to the frequency of the vibrations that produce it. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can pupils explain what a sound is and how it travels to our ears? 
History	<p>In History, pupils will answer the question "What were the most important achievements of the Ancient Greeks?"</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Know when in history the Ancient Greek civilization was Explore life in Ancient Greece Compare the Ancient Olympics to modern day Olympics 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ask what they know about Athens and Sparta? Discuss how the Ancient Greeks have influenced our lives today.
D.T.	<p>In DT, Y4 will be designing, constructing and evaluating a book sleeve.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Look at any book sleeves together that may be in the home, in the library or on their reading books.
Music	<p>Y4 will be exploring and developing playing skills through the glockenspiel, as well as continuing to learn the language of music.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Talk about the difference between pulse, rhythm and pitch. 

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P.S.H.E.	<p>Our PSHE topic is Celebrating Differences and pupils will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understand that sometimes we make assumptions based on what people look like Problem solve a bullying situation with others Explore how to help someone who is being bullied Identify what is special about me and value the ways in which I'm unique 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Talk about assumptions people make Discuss with your child what makes you unique If you would like access to the PSHE lessons for this half term in more detail, please contact us and we can provide you with an access code.
R.E.	<p>Year 4 will continue to explore the question "Why is Jesus inspiring to some people?"</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can they answer the question? Ask your child to talk about what they have learnt about Christianity.
P.E.	<p>In P.E., pupils will be focusing on gymnastics and fitness</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> participate in a range of fun, active, engaging lessons concentrating on a specific skill each lesson develop the fundamental skills from each lesson 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage your child to take part in daily physical exercise.
Computing	<p>Using Purple Mash "Coding"</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> understand how an IF/ELSE command works and the "repeat until" command Create a playable game 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use the Purple Mash website at home to consolidate learning in class by practising computing skills. 
Latin	<p>This year, we have chosen to teach Latin because of the rich opportunities that come with learning this ancient language. As well as being a fascinating language in its own right, knowledge of Latin helps to develop literacy skills. Through Latin, children develop their knowledge of spelling and vocabulary through learning Latin roots of English words and deepen their understanding of grammar. Alongside language learning, the study of Roman and Greek civilisations aids cultural literacy, encourages cultural insights and gives opportunities for wide-ranging thinking across many linked subjects (including history, philosophy, art, maths and science).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss any vocabulary links your child has discovered.
Useful Websites	<p> trockstars.com play.numbots.com www.purplemash.com Google BBC Bitesize for English, Maths, Science, GPS and much more </p>	