



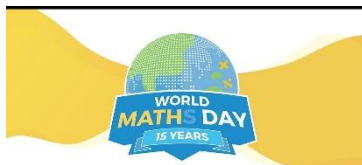
Year 4

Mr. Cluskey

Year Four Topics

**WORLD
BOOK
DAY**

- ▶ Year Four long term plan can be found on the school website
- ▶ <https://www.thornhill.durham.sch.uk/our-classes/year-4/>



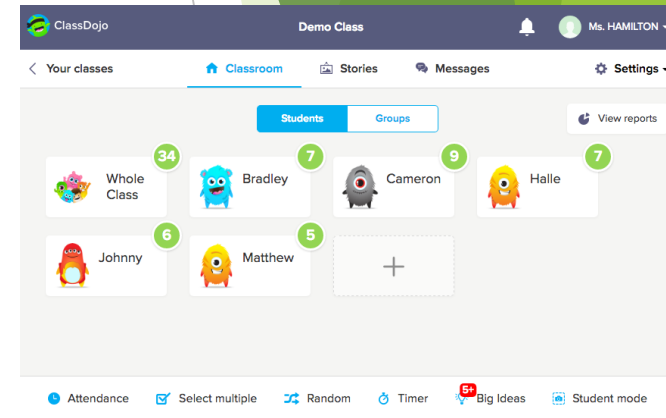


	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Maths	To cover: Number Rules, Place Value, Rounding, Roman Numerals, Measurement including time, fractions and decimals, Geometry (regular and irregular polygons, position and direction, symmetry) Area and perimeter and Statistics					
English	To cover: Reading/ comprehension, Spelling, Grammar, Punctuation, Vocabulary, Writing, Speaking and Listening.					
Science	States of Matter	Sound	Electricity	Food, Teeth and the Digestive System	Living things and their habitats	Human Impact
History	Stone Age	Earliest civilizations - Ancient Greece	The Romans - Invasion by Claudius and conquest - Hadrian's Wall and - British resistance - Boudicca	The Vikings and Anglo-Saxons - Raids and invasions	The Victorians - Focus on the monarchy	Local study - William George Armstrong
Geography	Revision - Continents - Oceans - UK - Seas surrounding UK - UK mountains and rivers	Locate - UK counties - Regions of England	Place Knowledge - Italy Physical Geography - Volcanoes	Directions - 8 point compass - 4 figure grid references	Map skills - Land use change in Shildon Fieldwork - Habits of the local community	Place knowledge - India
Design and Technology	Stone Age necklace	Robotics	Electrical buzzer game	Pizza pepper/healthy flatbread	Maypole Crown	Binca bookmark
Religious Education	Christianity - The holy trinity - How the bible is used in private and communal worship and everyday living. - Prayer and its importance.	Christianity - Christmas story - How Christians show commitment and belonging to faith community. E.g. regular church worship.	Judaism Revision - Significance of Moses. - Practices of Pesach and Sukkot. - How they show commitment and belonging to faith.	Islam - Belief in one god and Muhammad as a prophet. Introduction to the 5 pillars. Hinduism - Belief in ahimsa. Introduction to sacred scriptures and how they are used. Belief in karma and how it impacts behaviour and actions.	Sikhism - Belief in one god. - Introduction to the 10 human Gurus- special reference to Guru Nanak. - How belief has an impact on values and behaviour.	

Art and Design	Mark making - Stone Age cave painting	Sculpture - Ancient Greek pots	Collage/textiles - Roman Mosaics	Drawing - Tracing and painting Viking figure head	Printing/water colour - Specialist artist	Famous Artist/Painting - Georges Seurat
French	Me and my life - Family - Animals - Colours - Pets	Me and my life - Classroom routines - Christmas in France	Me and my life - Months - Seasons	Fashion show - Clothes - Opinions	My life - Easter in France/England	My life - Food - The Gruffalo
Computing	Programming - Rapid router Digital literacy - Healthy media choices ICT - Powerpoint	Programming - Hour of code Digital Literacy - Digital footprint ICT - Powerpoint	Programming - Scratch Digital Literacy - Cyber detectives ICT - Publisher	Programming - Scratch Digital Literacy - Being a digital citizen ICT - Publisher	Programming - Textease Turtle Digital Literacy - Safe searching and reliability of websites ICT - Poster	Programming - Understand how the internet works Digital Literacy - Rights and responsibilities ICT - Poster
Personal Development	SEAL - New Beginnings Personal Awareness - Keeping Safe	SEAL - Getting on and Falling Out Personal Awareness - Anti-Bullying	SEAL - Going for Goals Personal Awareness - Caring for the environment	SEAL - Good to be Me Personal Awareness - Charity	SEAL - Relationships Personal Awareness - Financial Education	SEAL Changes Personal Awareness - My Healthy Body
Physical Education	Tag Rugby Orienteering	Netball/football Dodgeball	Basketball Gymnastics	Dance Football/netball	Athletics Cricket	Tennis OAA
Music	Brass introduction	Brass CDE/Performance	Brass Instruments of the orchestra	Brass EFG	Brass Rhythm	Brass Performance


Rewards

- ▶ Class Dojo
Prizes each half term for top three
- ▶ Merit marks - Bronze, Silver, Gold, Platinum, Diamond and Solar awards
- ▶ Spellings and Maths Facts prizes for 100% at the end of each full term and at the end of the year
- ▶ Golden Days at the end of each half term
- ▶ PE stars
- ▶ 100% attendance award



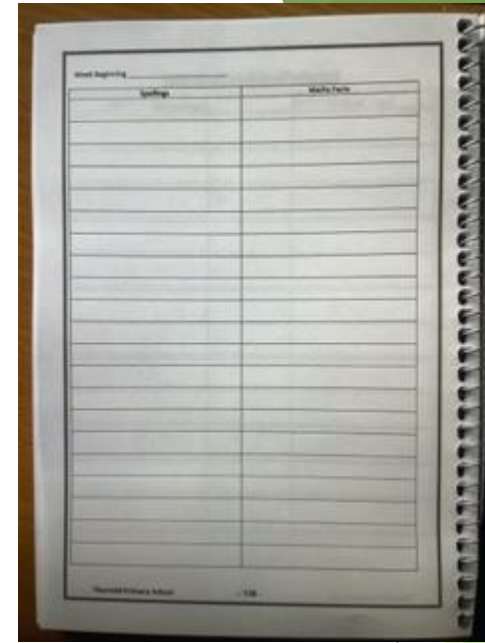
Attendance

- ▶ 96% or above is classed as good attendance.
- ▶ Please organise family holidays for outside school term time.
- ▶ Any holidays during term time please complete the holiday request form on the school website.
<https://www.thornhill.durham.sch.uk/parents/attendance/>

Application for Leave of Absence during Term Time			
A. Pupil Details			
Name:		DOB:	
Address:			
Class/Form:			
Siblings Name(s):		School(s):	
B. Leave of Absence Request Details			
Start of requested leave:		End date:	
Return to school date:		No. of days:	
What are the <i>exceptional circumstances</i> for your leave of absence request that you wish the school to consider?			
Name of Parent/Carer/Step Parent (FULL Name):			
Signature:		Date:	
Name of Parent/Carer/Step Parent (FULL Name):			
Signature:		Date:	
C. For School Use			
Previous LOA this academic year:			
Does the LOA request coincide with test/examination periods:			
Is LOA approved:	YES	NO	
If YES – No. of days to be authorised for this LOA application:			
Signature of Head Teacher/Designated member of Staff:		Date:	
Register Code to be used for this LOA:			

Homework

- ▶ 16 spellings
- ▶ 16 maths facts
- ▶ Spellings and maths facts to be learnt for the test on a Monday they are recorded towards the back of your child's planner.
- ▶ Children record their scores on page 12 of their planner. Please initial the score once you have seen it.
- ▶ Daily reading - 20 minutes at least 5 times a week Merit mark awarded for 5 sessions of reading.
- ▶ Please record reading in your child's planner.
- ▶ Please sign your child's planner at the end of the week.
- ▶ Reading books will be changed weekly.



Forest School



- ▶ Forest school will now be carried out once per term but it will be a full day to allow children the opportunity to learn new skills and apply them in a real-life context.
- ▶ Children to come into school wearing their Forest School clothes and a spare pair of trainers.



The Multiplication Tables Check (MTC)

- ▶ It's a national test for Year 4 students across the country.
- ▶ The purpose of the check is to determine whether your child can fluently recall their times tables up to 12, which is essential for future success in mathematics.
- ▶ It will also help us to identify those who need additional support.

Online Platforms

- ▶ All log in details recorded at the back on your child's planner.
 - ▶ Times Tables Rockstars
 - ▶ Mathletics
 - ▶ Education City
 - ▶ Oxford Reading Buddy
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- ▶ Bitesize is a great resource for maths and English.
 - ▶ Spelling Frame



Oxford Reading Buddy

Spelling frame

BBC Bitesize

Mathletics

Swimming

- ▶ Year Four is when the children begin their swimming lessons in school.
- ▶ They attend their session each Wednesday morning.
- ▶ Children have already had their first two sessions.



Contact Information

- ▶ Thank you for your continued support.
- ▶ Teacher email address
- ▶ dcluskey.teacher@thornhill.durham.sch.uk