



YEAR 4 NEWSLETTER

Our newsletter is sent out fortnightly to keep you up to date.

Thursday 22nd May

This half term has flown by, and the children have worked incredibly hard across all areas of their learning. Their enthusiasm, determination, and positive attitudes have been wonderful to see, and they should all feel proud of their achievements. We look forward to welcoming the children back for their final term at Southridge, where there will be many more exciting opportunities and memories to make. Have a lovely half term break!

Maths

Times Tables Information You're nearly there—just one last push to master your times tables! With the holidays coming up, now is the perfect time to sharpen your skills and build confidence. A few minutes of focused practice each day can make a big difference.

Click the QR code to play the fishing game and also...

Try the Times Tables Check game on timestables.co.uk to test yourself in a fun and effective way. You've got this! **(Please do not amend the settings.)**

Maths Fishing - Multiplication

Practise your multiplication skills while catching Fish! This game is tablet friendly and will work on any device.

Having problems on an iPad? Go to your browser's settings and make sure 'Request Desktop Mode' has not been selected.

For more multiplication games click here.



Scan to open this game on a mobile device. Right-click to copy and paste it onto a homework sheet.

Please also find attached a PDF for your information on the Times Table Check.

History

This half term, the children have been learning all about local boats as part of their local history topic. They have enjoyed discovering fascinating facts about two well-known vessels, the *Lovely Nellie* and the *Percy*, and have shown great curiosity in exploring the stories behind them. To deepen their understanding, the children took part in an engaging quiz to find out more about Swan Hunters and its importance to our local area. They also used their creativity and persuasive writing skills to design job adverts encouraging people to work at Swan Hunters, thinking carefully about the roles and qualities needed.



Maths

In maths we have been working with decimals and converting units of measure like grams to kilograms or millilitres to litres which is an essential skill in maths. Understanding that dividing by 10 moves the decimal point one place to the left can simplify these conversions. For example, 1000 grams divided by 10 equals 100 grams, and 1000 millilitres divided by 10 equals 100 millilitres. This concept is foundational when moving between units such as grams (g) and kilograms (kg), or millilitres (ml) and litres (l). To make learning these concepts more engaging, try the

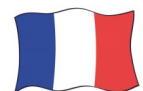


interactive decimals game available on Topmarks. This game offers a fun way to practice decimal skills.

Click on the image to access the game.



French



In French lessons this term, the children have been learning the names of different animals. They've enjoyed discovering how to say animals like "un chat" (cat) and "un lapin" (rabbit) in French, using fun games and activities to help them remember the new vocabulary. One of their favourite ways to practise has been using an interactive matching game, which helps them connect the words to pictures.

Now - have some fun while trying your hand at this French animal farm quiz after watching the video and learning the song.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/z4nyvk7>

Diary dates

Summer 2

Monday 2nd June -4SO Bikeability

Monday 9th June- 4SM/LS Bikeability

Monday 16th June- y4 Sports Day

Tuesday 1st July & Wednesday 2nd July- Middle School transition days.

Friday 4th July- Summer Fair

Thursday 10th July- Leavers assembly

Week beginning Monday 14th July- Y4 activities Week

Warm weather

As the sun shines on us this term, just a reminder to ensure all jumpers, cardigans and coats have names inside them. Children often take them off at playtimes and it is very difficult to ensure they go home with the right person if they are not named. Sun cream should be applied before school as we often spend time outdoors as part of our learning. Sending a sun hat with your child is also advised, they can keep it in their drawer during the day so it is always handy for them when we go outside. We appreciate your support with this.

