



YEAR 4

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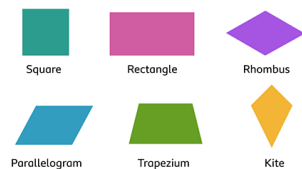
Our newsletter is sent out fortnightly to keep you up to date.

Friday 14th November

We hope you had a wonderful and restful half-term break! It's been lovely hearing the children excitedly share their stories and experiences from the holiday. They've returned full of energy and are ready for the new term ahead. As we look forward to the coming weeks, we have lots of exciting activities and learning opportunities planned. This term will give the children the chance to build on their knowledge, tackle new challenges, and continue to grow in confidence. Additionally, the children delivered a thoughtful and respectful assembly for Remembrance Day, honouring those who have served, and demonstrating their understanding of the importance of this day. We are incredibly proud of their maturity and sensitivity.

Maths

In Maths, the children have finished their work on 2D shapes in Geometry. They showed a great understanding of quadrilaterals and their specific properties. To consolidate your learning try these activities by clicking on the image.



We have now moved on to multiplication, focusing on building fluency, which will support the children when applying these skills to written methods. To continue practising at home, you can use the **Top Marks Hit the Button** game to help strengthen



recall of the 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 8 times tables by clicking on the image.

English

In English, the children have been learning how to write non-chronological reports with a focus on ancient civilisations. They have explored how to use subordinating conjunctions to add detail and explanation, as well as how to write clear topic sentences to introduce each paragraph. The children have also been developing their use of precise nouns and practising writing in the present perfect tense to make their reports more informative and engaging. Their next step will be to apply all these skills in their own non-chronological report about an ancient civilisation. If you would like to gain a deeper understanding of these fascinating civilisations, such as the Stone Age to Iron Age and the Ancient Egyptians, you might enjoy doing some research at home. You could explore books, documentaries, or trusted websites to discover more about how people lived, worked, and built their societies. It's a great way to build on what we're learning in class and to share interesting facts with others!

Geography

In our new Geography topic, the children have begun learning about the USA. In their first lesson, they explored a range of images and worked together to categorise them into sections such as *rural* and *urban*. This helped them understand the variety of landscapes and environments found across the country. Following this, the children used atlases to locate different areas and identify key geographical features, including mountain ranges, rivers, and oceans. They showed great curiosity and teamwork as they discovered just how diverse the United States really is!



Hockey Festival

Before the half term, a group of children had the exciting opportunity to represent the school at a hockey festival. They worked alongside sports leaders from Marden Bridge Middle School, learning new skills and techniques in a fun, supportive environment. Throughout the event, the children displayed excellent teamwork and sportsmanship, and their behaviour was impeccable. It was a fantastic experience that not only helped them develop their hockey skills but also showcased their commitment to representing the school with pride. We look forward to seeing how they continue to grow in their sporting abilities!



We are proud to make a positive impact!

Diary dates

Friday 28th November—Christmas Jumper Day (please bring a donation to the chocolate tombola if you can)

Friday 5th December— Christmas Fair

Friday 12th December - KS2 Carol Service @St Mary's Church— 1:15-2:15pm

Tuesday 16th December—KS2 Christmas Party