



YEAR 4

NEWSLETTER

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

Friday 10th July

Thank you for all of your support throughout the year. We have loved teaching your children and watching them grow and develop, and we are so proud of how ready they are for their next journey into middle school. Before then, the children can look forward to enjoying their end-of-year activities and creating some wonderful final memories together at Southridge. If we don't get the chance to see you before the end of term, we hope you have a wonderful summer. We wish your children every success and happiness as they begin this exciting new adventure.

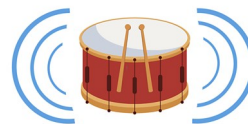
Geography



This term, the children have been learning about sustainability and the importance of renewable energy. They have explored why wind turbines are often built in the countryside, considering factors such as open spaces, stronger winds, and reduced impact on built-up areas. The children have also discussed how wind turbines generate clean, renewable electricity and the positive impact they have on the environment by reducing reliance on fossil fuels and helping to lower carbon emissions. To support their learning, the children designed informative posters to share the benefits of wind energy and encourage others to think about sustainable choices. They have shown great curiosity and developed a deeper understanding of how sustainability can help protect our planet for future generations.

Science

This term, the children have been learning about sound and how it is produced. Through a range of practical investigations, they discovered that sounds are made by vibrations and explored how these vibrations travel from a sound source to our ears. As part of their learning, the children carried out the cup-and-string experiment to investigate how sound travels through different materials. They tested whether the tightness of the string affected how well sound travelled and used their observations to draw conclusions. The children enjoyed working scientifically by making predictions, carrying out fair tests, and explaining their findings using scientific vocabulary. For more information about sound and to continue learning at home, please click on the image below, which will take you to the relevant [BBC Bitesize Sound page](#).



Music



This term, the children have enjoyed learning to play the recorder with Mrs Bland. Throughout their lessons, they have developed their understanding of rhythm, beat, and pitch while building their confidence as young musicians. They have learned to play a range of different notes on the recorder and have practised performing simple melodies with increasing accuracy. As a culmination of their learning, the children also composed their own songs, demonstrating their creativity and applying the musical skills they have developed throughout the term.

Leavers Performance

Our children did a fantastic job in their Leavers' Assembly and certainly put on an incredible show! Their confidence, enthusiasm, and talent shone through in every performance, making it a truly memorable occasion. They made everyone at Southridge incredibly proud, and it was a wonderful way to celebrate their time with us before they move on to their next adventure. We hope you thoroughly enjoyed the performance and thank you for joining us to share this special moment.

English

This week, the children have been writing their own stories inspired by the myth of Orpheus. They have focused on developing their sentence structure by using a range of clauses to add detail and create vivid imagery for the reader. It has been wonderful to see them using their writing skills to bring their stories to life and engage their audience with descriptive and imaginative language.

Our children enjoyed a fun rugby taster session with **Rockcliff Rugby Club**, where they developed new skills and teamwork. If your child is interested in joining a local team sport, please click the image below for the club's contact details and information on how to get involved.



Proud to make a positive impact.

Diary dates

Summer 2

Thursday 9th July- Leavers assembly -2:00pm

Thursday 9th July- Leavers Disco 4:30-5:30

Week beginning Monday 13th July- Y4 activities Week

Tuesday 14th July- Hot Potz 4NM 9:00-12:00

Tuesday 14th July- Hot Potz 4SO 12:30-3:15

Thursday 16th July- Beach day 9:00-2:00

Year 4 Activities Week					13th—17th July 2026	
Date	A M			P M		
Monday	Kick-Off Champions  Andrew Cartwright			Strike, Throw & Dodge  Andrew Cartwright		
Tuesday	 Hotpotz 4NM	 Tabletop Titans	 Hotpotz 4SOH	 Tabletop Titans		
Wednesday	 Giant Cookie Kitchen	 Trail Masters	 Giant Cookie Kitchen	 Trail Masters		
Thursday	 Beach Bonanza					
Friday	 Create, Build & Play	 Southridge Splash-Off	 Movie Magic & Munchies			