

Year 4

Curriculum Newsletter – Spring 2



Welcome back to a new half term!

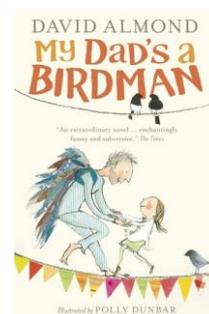
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For changes in pick up/drop offs, medical appointments or absence, please phone or email the school office.

The Curriculum

English

This half term we will be continuing to read the David Almond story 'My Dad's a Birdman.'



Spelling

Each week, we will practice the following spellings in school each day. If you feel that it would be helpful for your child to practice them at home, these are the dates we will begin looking at each set.

23.2.26	2.3.26	9.3.26	16.3.26	23.3.26
<i>pear</i>	<i>accidentally</i>	<i>caught</i>	<i>describe</i>	<i>experiment</i>
<i>pair</i>	<i>actually</i>	<i>century</i>	<i>different</i>	<i>extreme</i>
<i>break</i>	<i>answer</i>	<i>circle</i>	<i>difficult</i>	<i>favourite</i>
<i>brake</i>	<i>busy</i>	<i>complete</i>	<i>experience</i>	<i>February</i>

Maths

In Maths, we have begun looking at length and perimeter. We will then move on to looking at fractions and decimals.

The children will continue to use their Times Table booklets and it has been fantastic to see their enthusiasm towards gaining their bronze, silver and gold badges. As always, please encourage the children to keep their times table facts fresh by practicing on TT Rockstars. They should all have a username and password. Please let me know if they need a reminder.

Science

Once we have finished exploring our current topic of 'Sound,' we will be moving on to Electricity.



Geography

Our resident volcanologists will be thrilled to learn that we will be continuing our topic of Earthquakes and Volcanoes for the next half term!

Art & DT

In Art, we are continuing to explore the work of Charles Rennie Mackintosh. The children have enjoyed drawing their own 'Glasgow Rose' and we will be using the skills they have learnt to create our own nature inspired design.



P.E.

Our P.E. days are Monday and Thursday. They will be developing their throwing and catching skills through handball and working on fitness and health through work on circuits.

Children should come to school in their outdoor PE kit on Monday and Thursday mornings and will remain in it all day. Please check the school website if you require clarification of the correct PE kit.

Home Learning

Home Learning consists of:

- One weekly reading book
- One set of half termly optional maths tasks
- One set of half termly optional English tasks
- One termly home learning project. If any children would like a reminder of this, please let me know.

Book Exchange

All children have a school reading book. These will be changed on Monday. I will send children with one book for the week. Whilst I know many children are beginning to enjoy reading for pleasure by themselves, please keep encouraging them to read aloud to you. Children are welcome to record their own reading in their reading record. I love to hear what they have been enjoying!

Library

The children will visit the library on Monday and will be able to borrow one book per week.

Water Bottles

Please make sure your child has a water bottle in school every day. This will be sent home at the end of the day to be brought back in filled up for the next day.

Dates for the diary

Thursday 5th March – World Book Day
Tuesday 10th and Thursday 12th March – Parent Consultations
Wednesday 11th March – Ilkley Schools Singing Together at Kings Hall
Thursday 12th March – Y4 visiting Empathy Week Primary Live Show in Leeds
Monday 23rd March - Easter Bake Off