

Summer Term Newsletter 2025 - Goshawk and Harrier Classes – Year 4

Welcome to the Summer Term. We do hope that you had a happy Easter break.

MISCELLANEOUS

During the summer, we plan outdoor sessions of PE so please ensure your child comes into school wearing a suitable pair of **trainers**. As the weather will *hopefully* be getting warmer, a sun hat or cap may also be helpful for your child. In Goshawk Class, please make sure your child comes into school wearing their PE kit on a Tuesday. Their kit should consist of navy or black shorts, a white T-shirt (Fairfields Logo preferred), a navy or black tracksuit/jumper and trainers. Harrier class will continue to swim on a Thursday and this will be in place of their PE lesson; Harrier class should wear their school uniform on a Thursday and must remember their swimming kits!.

ENGLISH

In our daily English lessons, we will continue to read novels. This half term we will focus on the novel '**Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone**' by J.K Rowling. We will also be building on grammar and spelling skills and rules learnt last term, as well as developing skills in creative writing and reading comprehension. Your child will continue to bring home spellings.

These will be given out on a Monday and tested on a Friday.

In the second half of the term we will read the novel '**Iron Man**' by Ted Hughes.

Please ensure your child brings their reading book and reading record to school every day.

Please continue to read both the school reading book and any other texts with your child at home and record this in their record book. Any access children get to fiction and non-fiction books, especially those linked to our school topics will greatly assist their learning.

MATHS

Maths is taught daily in one hour lessons on different focus topics. These will focus mainly on expanded methods of all 4 operations, as well as measures, shape & space and data handling. We are still practising our times tables daily and using Times Tables Rockstars. We also complete an arithmetic test every Tuesday. Please encourage your child to continue to use TTRockstars as knowing as many times tables as possible will greatly support their learning. The children are expected to know their times tables up to 12x12 and will be completing the Year 4 Multiplication Check in June. There is a mock test that your child can use to practise on:

<https://www.timestables.co.uk/multiplication-tables-check/>.

Other topics we will be studying this term are:

Science	Living Things and Habitats & Animals Including Humans
Computing	iMail, iProgram2 and iAlgorithm
Art	Structure, Sculpture, Inventiveness and Determination – Making Nests
DT	Pencil Cases
Music	Blackbird and Reflect, Rewind & Replay
RE	Christianity and Buddhism
PE	Athletics and Cricket
PSHE	Relationships and Changing Me
Geography	Water (rivers, lakes, and the water cycle)

Please feel free to contact us with any questions or queries you may have, so we can ensure your child's continued happiness at Fairfields. We look forward to another exciting term!

Yours sincerely,

Mr J. Murphy and Mrs J. Wallace-Hickey