



St Mary's Church of England Primary School, Dover

Learning for life with God as our guide

CLASS 4 NEWSLETTER

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Our Christian Values

Peace; Friendship; Respect; Trust; Perseverance



Spring Term 3 and 4 - 2026

It's hard to believe that it is Easter already. The last two terms have flown by, but we have certainly been very busy enjoying our learning across the curriculum, plus a range of enrichment activities. This term we have particularly enjoyed our DT lessons as we have been making and testing cars, including a 'slingshot' one using an elastic band. We found the Science work on digestion fascinating and collaborated well to put together a life-size poster showing the major organs involved! We are also extremely proud of the Anglo-Saxon shields we designed and then made using recycled card (mainly bagel boxes!). Some special visitors from the Kent School of Music came to watch us in one of our Ukuleles sessions this term and were really impressed with our progress. We have also managed to fit in a visit to Dover Castle and celebrated World Book Day with a Harry Potter themed classroom door. In quieter moments, we have thoroughly enjoyed the novel 'Kensuke's Kingdom' by Michael Morpurgo.

Why not visit the library over the holidays and find another book by this author?

Wishing you all a relaxing and enjoyable Spring break.

As always, please see our class 'Termly Curriculum Overview' to see what your child will be learning about.



Homework



Homework will continue to be set on Fridays and needs to be completed by the following Wednesday. Tasks will be closely linked to the learning in class and there will usually be a Maths or English activity, plus a more open-ended task based on our topics. Any outstanding pieces and outstanding effort shown to complete homework is appreciated and acknowledged; the children will be awarded a 'Homework Certificate'. They also have the opportunity to earn house points for each task completed.

PE



Penguins Class has PE on Wednesday and Friday.

Please ensure your child has a PE t-shirt, shorts and plimsoles/trainers in a named drawstring bag at school; this will remain in their locker during the term.

Please ensure earrings are removed on these days, and long hair must be tied back. During the colder months, your child can wear black/navy sports trousers and jumpers. Please ensure each item of clothing is **NAMED**.

Next term, the children will be exploring Tennis and Athletics

Reading



Classes 3 - 6

The children in Key Stage 2 are all given a reading book that is matched to their Accelerated Reader level. We assess this termly and adjust the choice of books accordingly. As the books are different lengths the children can return them when they are finished and select a new book to take home. Alongside their reading book they have a purple reading record that is for you to record everytime your child reads at home.

The children should be reading for 5 – 10 minutes every day to ensure they are getting the practice they need to develop their reading skills further.

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Please feel free to contact by email - We will always endeavour to reply as soon as possible.



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