



Fairview Community Primary School

Termly Newsletter

Year 4- Term 1

At Fairview, our school values underpin everything we do and are core to the ethos of our school. Our aim is to develop a community of **responsible** learners who not only demonstrate **collaboration** and **perseverance** in their work, but who also show **kindness**, **respect** and **honesty** towards one another.

Welcome back for the start of Term 1! From all of us on the Year 4 team, we hope you had a lovely Summer Break!

This term, we are excited to be starting our learning about settlements with a focus on Antarctica and answering the critical question 'Why do people choose to settle or not in different places?'

Below, you will find an overview of our curriculum and what we will be learning in each subject this term. If you have any questions, please contact your child's class teacher. We would like to thank you for your continued support and engagement with your child's learning.

We will give more information at the year 4 meet and greet on Wednesday 10th September at 3:00 and look forward to meeting you there.

Mr Lewis (Turtles), Mrs Harvey (Dolphins) and Mrs Costen (Otters).

English

SHACKLETON'S JOURNEY

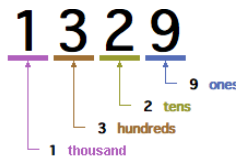


William Gifford
FLYING EYE BOOKS

We complete our learning surrounding our fantastic text, Shackleton's Journey. This follows the Story of explorer Ernest Shackleton's infamous expedition to Antarctica in 1914. The book is a fantastic story and will provide wonderful learning opportunities.

Maths

Our Maths this term focusses on Place value and the four number operations. We will be completing new learning mixed in with a help of revision in order to get the children working up to speed early in Term 1. After half term multiplication and division become a huge focus.



Science

To begin our year, we will be completing a unit on the changing states of materials. This will include learning about the properties of solids, liquids, and gases and about how materials change between these states.



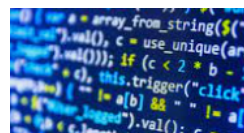
Geography

In Geography this term, we are learning about Antarctica. This will include some Geographical skills and vocabulary such as longitude and latitude, describing physical and human features, looking at why people have not settled there and investigating Shackleton's expedition which links with our English.



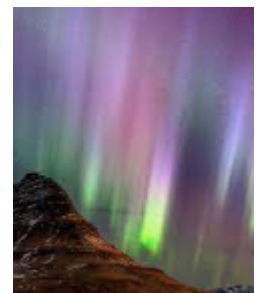
Computing

In computing this term, Year will be tackling the real-life skill of programming. To do this, we will be using Purple mash to learn about coding. This is a highly child friendly way of teaching what is becoming a life skill.



Art and DT

This term we will painting so make sure you have a shirt or apron to wear! We are looking at tone and shade and creating still life and landscape pictures using different tones and shades.



RE

We will consider the key question: Are all religions equal?



PE

In PE this term, we will be completing 2 topics. One will be indoor gymnastics with Mrs Saputo and the other lessons will be taking part outdoors with the class teachers and Mr Bodkin. The focus on these lessons will be tag rugby.



PSHE

This term we focus on ourselves in the world we live in. This will include learning about how to relax, the process of making decisions and understanding rights and responsibilities.



Class timetables

**PPA is on Friday on even weeks – this will include Forest school, music and indoor PE.
(12.09.25, 26.09.25, 10.10.25)**

We will be having PE every week on the following days:

Turtles – Monday and Friday

Otters – Tuesday and Friday

Dolphins – Monday and Friday

Home Learning

- Spellings – Spelling home learning continues to be set each week on EdShed.
- Reading – To encourage reading for pleasure and to support their progress, we ask that the children read as regularly as possible, ideally daily. Please ensure your child records every time they read in their reading record and that an adult sign it off. Reading records continue to be checked on a regular basis in class.
- We will focus on times tables as there will be an assessment online at the end of year 4 therefore there is the expectation that TTrockstars is used regularly and tasks and battles will be set weekly.

Home learning continues to be an important way of supporting your children's progress and we would like to thank you for your continued support – it makes a huge difference and has a positive impact on your child's learning. If you have any questions regarding home learning, please contact your child's class teacher, who will be happy to help! 😊

