



Year 4 Weekly Newsletter – 16th January 2026

What have Year 4 been up to this week?

This week in writing, we have continued our exploration of diary entries, focussing more on the grammar aspects. We have looked at show don't tell sentences where we describe a feeling rather than explicitly state it. We explored fronted adverbials again and then looked at planning our own diary entries from the perspective of the rabbit.



In reading, we have continued exploring 'Demon Dentist' by David Walliams, thinking about vocabulary within the first chapter, and exploring the skill of prediction within Chapter 6. The children are already really enjoying this book, so we can't wait to see what twists and turns unfold as we dig deeper.



This week in maths, we have continued our learning on fractions. We have simplified fractions from improper forms to mixed numbers, before moving on to adding and subtracting. We had the golden rule that we only add or subtract the numerator when the denominator is the same.

During our topic lessons, we have continued our latest Art topic around sketching. We are drawing inspiration from Giuseppe Arcimboldo, and using his artwork to create our own portraits which will include fruits, vegetables, flowers and maybe objects like books. The children have created their own portraits using a range of different sketching pencils, thinking about their use of tone, line and shape.



In P.E this week, we learnt how to prepare to use the correct form of the forehand shot, using tennis balls and rackets. The children also completed their Level 1 in Bikeability.

4A's Star of the Week

Edris has been an absolute superstar this week. He has produced some fantastic work in English and Maths and has been a wonderful role model in our school values. Well done, Edris!



4B's Star of the Week

Keto is always showing her school values in and out of the classroom. She is super helpful around school and is always willing to take on a caring role with her peers.



4A's coin total – 96 coins
4B's coin total – 93 coins

Reminders for after half term...

Our P.E lessons will take place **every Thursday**. Please ensure full kits are in school.

Children will be set Reading, SPaG and Maths homework on Mirodo Education every **Thursday**. Their homework is the due in the following **Wednesday**.

Reading records to be completed by **Thursdays**. Your child will then have their book changed by their class teacher.

Year 4 will have their next spelling test next **Friday**.

This half term's homework project is due on **Wednesday 11th February**.

Well done for a great first week back, Year 4!

Have a great weekend.

From Miss Lord and Mrs Ward