

Year Four Newsletter



We hope you all had a lovely summer holiday and are ready for the exciting term ahead. The children are settling in well and we are looking forward to a great year ahead!

Important dates this term

Meeting for Lledr Hall - Monday 15th September at 6.00 p.m.

4R Lledr Hall Trip Monday 20th to Wednesday 22nd October

4D Lledr Hall Trip Wednesday 22nd to Friday 24th October

Wider Opportunities in Music

Children in Year 4 have the fantastic opportunity of having music specialists working with them all year. The children will have a lesson on alternate **Tuesday** afternoons with MAPAS, which is an organisation that provides Music and Performing Arts in Salford. Children will learn to play a variety of instruments, which culminates in an end of year performance at the Lowry Theatre. This is a fantastic opportunity for our children and an experience, which all parents and children have enjoyed in previous years.

Food allergies

Children may bring a healthy snack to school but please ensure this snack does not contain any traces of nuts, as there are pupils across school with allergies. Please also be mindful of allergies and dietary requirements when sending in birthday treats for the class.



P.E.

P.E. is on a Monday. Please ensure children have their full kit in school, clearly labelled with their name, in a bag that they can hang on their peg.

Reading homework - Reading has such a crucial role in children's development and so we ask that children read frequently at home to build fluency and develop a broad range of vocabulary. Teachers will monitor children's reading at home on a weekly basis. Below are the expectations and rewards to encourage regular reading:

4 reads a week = 2 stickers on the reading chart

3 reads a week = 1 sticker on the reading chart

Completed charts = individual rewards

English and Maths Homework – On a Wednesday, children will be set weekly homework in their maths and English skills homework books. This needs to be completed and returned by the following Wednesday so that we can mark them and discuss any misconceptions as a class.

Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS) – Children will be administered a Multiplication Tables Check at the end of Year 4 and are expected to know all times tables facts up to 12 x 12. There will be more information shared about this at another time. In the meantime, we ask that as part of their homework, all children practise regularly on Times Tables Rock Stars. This app allows us to track and monitor children's progress and helps us identify specific facts and times tables where we can offer more support and work on further in school.

Spellings – Children are set weekly spellings on Ed Shed every Wednesday and are tested on them the following Wednesday. All children have been given login details for TTRS and Spelling Shed but please see the teachers if you need further support.

St Andrew's School Website and Twitter

From next week, keep checking our Twitter (@standrewsce) and class pages on the school website <https://www.st-andrews-worsley.salford.sch.uk/year-4-5/> This is an excellent way in which we can keep you up to date with what the children have been doing in school.

Below is an overview of the curriculum during the Autumn term.

Maths	Place Value Addition and Subtraction Area Multiplication and Division
English	Charlie and the Chocolate Factory (narrative) Lledr Hall (recount) The Magic Box (poetry) Olympic Games (information) Man on the Moon (letter)
Science	Teeth and Electricity
Computing	Online safety and Collaborative Learning
Religious Education	Why do people pray? People of God Christmas
PSHE	Relationships, Family and Friends British Values – Respect, Protected Characteristics Challenging Stereotypes
History	Ancient Greece
PE/GAMES	Football Badminton

We look forward to a great year together!

Mrs Davies and Mrs Rhodes