

Year 4: Things to look forward to in Summer 1!

Dates for your diary:

Monday 13th April - Return to School

Thursday 30th April - Colchester Zoo Trip

Monday 4th May - Bank Holiday

Wednesday 20th May - Class Photos

Thursday 21st May - Break up for Half Term

French

Our Unit this half term is called "**les Vetements**". The children will learn about different items of clothing in French, looking at the similarities, differences and then writing sentences about them.

Topic:

Our Conservation topic will have an environmental focus this half term looking at whose responsibility is it to look after our planet. We will be looking at how climate change is affecting our planet. We will be discussing sustainability, pollution and what we can do to help protect our planet for future generations.

Maths:

When the children first return to school, we will be starting our unit on decimals. This will include exploring the links that decimals have with fractions and money. Additionally, we will continue with our weekly times table focus. We will be dedicating our time to mixed times tables, to help the children prepare for their multiplication check. Please encourage your child to go on Times Table Rockstars and use other resources regularly to support this.

P.E:

Outdoor PE (Tuesday) we will be starting Rapid Fire Cricket and Tennis!

Indoor PE on a Monday will be Gymnastics!

4R will begin swimming this half term!

Spellings:

We will continue to set weekly assignments for the children to learn on Edshed. As always, the expectation is for the children to play a minimum of 10 games to help them master the spellings.

Our language of the half term links to our Cultural Week - we will be exploring Spain and the Spanish language.

Art:

The children will begin learning about our inspirational artist Stella McCartney. The children will learn about her work and her passion for sustainability. The children will learn how to draw different garments of clothing and then begin designing their costumes, ready for Summer 2.

Our life skill of the term is:
Making a cheesecake

English:

In English this half term, the children will be completing two retells for books which link to our Conservation Topic. After this, we will be writing postcards as a reflection of our time at Colchester Zoo. Towards the end of the half term, the children will learn how to write a non-chronological report.

Science

In Science we will be focusing on Data Collection and investigating plants and animals within own locality. We will explore habitats, whilst using and building our knowledge of classification keys. The children will learn how to gather, record, classify and present data in a variety of ways.