



YEAR 4 NEWSLETTER

AUTUMN TERM 2026



Moorhen Class	Kingfisher Class	Heron Class
Mrs Mason	Mrs Kent: Phase lead & Year lead	Mrs Cutts

Welcome to Year 4! We hope you had a wonderful summer and are back ready to learn! The expectations of behaviour and learning are high in Year 4 and we can't wait to continue the Lower Key Stage 2 Learning Journey with you!

Home Learning

- We plan homework tasks carefully to support and consolidate school learning. Therefore, it is vital that you support and encourage your child to complete the tasks set and communicate with their teacher if they have any problems in doing so.
- For additional information on the Year 4 curriculum please refer to the Long-Term Curriculum Overview for Year 4.
- All maths overviews can be located on the school website.
- All home learning platforms will be set from 14th September 2026
- Information on home learning projects will be sent out shortly with an expected due date.



- Math
 - Mathletics tasks** will be assigned for home learning each **Monday** which must be completed by the following Monday. This will be linked to the maths learning in lessons that week.
 - On a daily basis for at least 15 minutes, your child should practice their times tables using the Math Shed on EdShed.**
- English
 - Reading** - Please ensure that your child reads **every night and that their diary is signed.** If your child cannot read on a particular evening, please write a note in the diary. If a book cannot be sent home from school, please read a home book and record this in the diary.



- Spelling** -A Spelling Shed activity will be set each **Monday.** Children should be practicing spellings daily for 10 minutes.

- Username and passwords for online home learning will go into the children's school diaries.**

PE Days & PE Kits

Our PE days are: Moorhen and Kingfisher Tuesday and Wednesday. Heron Tuesday (morning & afternoon).

The expectation is that your child comes into school in their PE kit on those days. Please ensure each item of your child's PE kit is labelled clearly with their name and that no jewellery is worn on PE days.

Pencil Cases

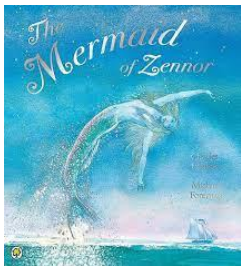
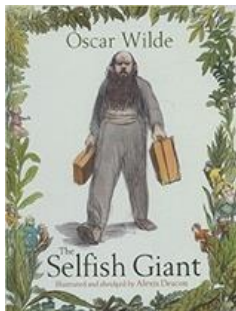
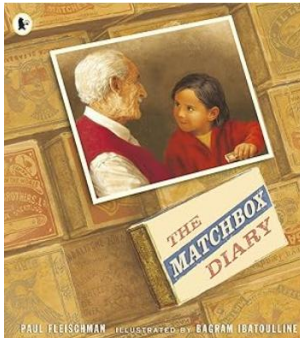
Children are to use the standard school pencil case (as purchased from the office). Please do not buy new pencil cases to be brought into school as they will be sent home.

Important Dates

1 st September	INSET Day
9 th September	Judo Taster session
10 th September	Author visit
17 th /18 th September	Wonka Bar sale - PTA
25 th September	MacMillan Coffee Morning
13 th & 14 th October	Parent/Carer Consultations
7 th October	Parent/Carer information session for High Ashurst residential (Hall: 3.30pm, online 5.30pm)
16 th October	Non-uniform day – PTA bottle tombola
16 th October	Last Day of Half Term
19 th -30 th October	Half Term
6 th November	Whole school flu vaccinations
7 th November	PTA Fireworks
11 th November	Remembrance Day
12 th November	Individual School Photos
16 th November	Odd Socks Day: Anti-Bullying Week
11 th December	Christmas Dinner & Jumpers
17 th December	Last Day of Term – Finish at 2pm
18 th December	INSET Day
18 th December	End of Term Break up 2PM
4 th January	INSET
5 th January	Return to School

More information on key school events such as parent consultations will follow.

At APPS, we follow The Literary Curriculum with Literacy Tree, which places quality literature at the core of English teaching. Below are the texts that Year 4 will study over the course of the term. If you are able to discuss the books with your child as we study them, it would really support their learning. All books are available from bookshops and local libraries. Please refer to the whole school text overview on the school's website for the texts studied in the spring and summer terms.

Autumn 1		Autumn 2	
			Poetry week And Non-fiction week
The Mermaid of Zennor- Charles Causley	The Selfish Giant- Oscar Wilde	The Matchbox Diary Paul Fleischman	



Please make sure you are signed up to Arbor and include at least two contact phone numbers in case of illness or emergency.

Lunch ordering

Please pre-order your child's lunches through Nourish (see previous emails from school for details).

This includes if your child is having packed lunch – please select no meal.

Coming Soon: Celebration of Autumn Term Learning

For further information or queries, please check the school website.

Website: www.ashford-park.surrey.sch.uk

Year 4 page: <https://www.ashford-park.surrey.sch.uk/page/?title=Year+4&pid=115>

Recommended reading lists: <https://www.littlewandle.org.uk/everybody-read/section/book-recommendations/key-stage-2/>

Should you have any queries about your child's learning or progress, please come and see us at the end of the day or make an appointment via the office.

We are very much looking forward to working with you to give your child the very best learning experience at APPS.

Year 4 Team,

Mrs Cutts, Mrs Kent, Mrs Mason.