

**Curriculum Newsletter for Rombalds Class (Year 3/4)**

**2024-2025 Half Term 1**

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| School Year Stock Illustrations – 32,091 School Year Stock Illustrations,  Vectors & Clipart - DreamstimeDear Parents and Guardians,  **Welcome back!** I hope you have all had an enjoyable and well deserved break with your lovely children and are ready for a fun filled year ahead. We have planned many exciting learning opportunities for the children and can’t wait to get stuck in! Below is an outline of all that will be covered this half term.  Please remember to bring in a healthy snack for breaktimes as these are no longer provided for children in Year 3 and above. I know a number of our children have rumbling tummies before lunch and with our busy mornings the additional fuel at breaktime goes a long way! The children will also require a named water bottle, which will be returned daily.  Your support at home is hugely appreciated. If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to get in touch via the school office.  Mrs Ali & Mrs Robinson | |
| **Maths**  **Year 3 – Place value and numbers to 1000**   * Represent and partition numbers to 100 and 1000 * Place Value People and Blocks Clip Art Set Cute!!!Counting in 50s and 100s * Number line to 1000 * Compare and order numbers to 1000 * Finding 1, 10, 100 more or less   **Addition & Subtraction**   * Number bonds * Add/subtract 1s, 10s and 100s * Adding two numbers across 10 and 100 * Subtracting across 10 and 100   **Year 4 – Place value and numbers beyond 1000**   * Represent and partition numbers to 1000 * Number line to 1000 * Multiples of 1000 * Partition 4-digit numbers * 1, 10, 100, 1000 more or less * Compare and order numbers to 1000 * Roman numerals to 100 * Rounding to the nearest 1000, 100 or 10   **Addition & Subtraction**   * Add and subtract 1s, 10s, 100s and 1000s * Adding two 4-digit numbers with more than one exchange * Estimating * Adding and Subtracting (song for kids about addition/subtracting)Checking strategies * Multistep problem solving | **Literacy Shed Plus - Literacy Shed Plus - Teaching Resources Made EasyEnglish**  **Writing**  Our writing this half term will take inspiration from the film ‘Dreamgiver’.  The children will be exploring high quality animations to help spark their imaginations as they describe settings and characters using expanded noun phrases, fronted adverbials and imagery. This will then allow them to write their own fantasy narrative, using a range of literary techniques in order to build tension.  Following this, the children will then start to explore instructional texts and write their own set of instructions. They will explore key features of instructions and focus on time connectives, imperative verbs, adverbs and prepositions.  **Spelling**  Spelling Bee Clipart | Free Images at Clker.com - vector clip art online,  royalty free & public domainSpelling sessions will occur daily and will focus on a different spelling pattern each week. These will be covered in school and focus on the National Curriculum objectives for Year 3 and 4. In addition to this, children will be sent home Spelling Bee words to learn which they will be tested on at the end of the term.  **Reading**  Guided reading sessions will take place weekly and children will develop and enhance their skills in a group setting, guided by an adult. During these sessions, we will focus on understanding, fluency, vocabulary and comprehension.  As in previous years, your child will come home with a reading book suitable to their reading ability and level. Please ensure your child comes to school with their reading book and red reading record each day and that the record is completed for any reading done at home. |
| **Description: http://www.footstepsuk.org/sites/default/files/footsteps_feet.gifRE – our topic this term is “The Bible”**   * To know that the Bible is a scared book that tells us about God’s love. * To know how the Bible is arranged. * C:\Users\Supply.Teacher\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\INetCache\Content.MSO\C6B5CFDE.tmpTo know the stories of Abraham, Joseph, Jonah and David. * To know that the Bible is God telling us about himself. | **PE – Tag Rugby and Gymnastics**  Boy To A Tag Rugby Royalty Free SVG, Cliparts, Vectors, and Stock  Illustration. Image 57120375.Gymnastics Clipart-girl athlete on balance beam gymnastics clipart  PE this half term will be on **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays**. Lessons will take place in the school hall and/or on the school grounds weather depending. Please ensure children bring a water bottle with them and come dressed appropriately in their school PE kit. |
| **Curriculum – Our topic for this term is ‘’One Planet, Our World”**  **Earth Clip Art Images - Free Download on FreepikGeography** **–** During topic lessons, the children will be developing and enhancing their map reading skills. Initially, they will be given opportunities to locate countries on maps and look at different geographical features and compare them. Then they will begin to use four-figure grid referencing to describe location and will also use the eight points of a compass. Children will also locate significant places using latitude and longitude and identify the five major climate zones on Earth.  **Computing –** During our computing sessions, children will learn about the importance of online safety. This includes the risks and benefits of installing software including apps, the consequences of plagiarism and the positive and negative influences technology can have on health and the environment. They will also understand and learn how to protect themselves from online identity theft.  **Science –** In our Science, we will be learning about animals and their teeth and skeletons. We will also learn about how they need to eat different foods to stay healthy.  **Art –** The children will be exploring colour theory by identifying, mixing and using contrasting coloured paints. They will compare artists, architects and designers and compare styles of work.  **Music –** Children will listen to, appraise and compose South African music, in particular the traditional African song ‘Shosholoza’.  **French –** In our French lessons, children will learn various French greetings, how to ask and respond to questions in passing conversation and will understand and exchange written information.  **PHSE –** Children will learn that they are created by God out of love and for love: they were designed for this purpose, which should inform how they live. They will also learn about the importance of democracy and have discussions focussing on mutual respect, tolerance and diversity. | |
| **How to help at home:**  **Spellings –** Practise Spelling Bee words in preparation for the test at the end of the term. Go through and learn the statutory spellings for Year 3 and 4. Children are expected to know all of these by the time they leave Year 4.  **Reading –**  Listen to your child read and write a comment in their red reading record.  **Times Tables –** Recap all times tables learnt so far to ensure your child can recall them instantly. Year 3 children will also need to learn their 3s, 4s and 8s. Year 4 children will need to learn their remaining tables up to 12X12 – this will help to prepare them for the Multiplication Check towards the end of the school year. | |