

Y4

Classroom News

Avondale
Primary School



Spring 2

We hope you all had a lovely half term break and are ready for the Spring term ahead. We can't believe we are half way through the year already but we can't wait to carry on with the rest of our topics and new learning!

Please regularly check our blog and Facebook page for updates. Our class page on the school website also has lots of links for extra support in various subjects as well. Our year 4 blog on Purple Mash will also inform your child of their weekly spellings and homework tasks.



Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 4th March – SEND Parent's Afternoon

Wednesday 5th March – 4F Class Assembly 2.50pm

Thursday 6th March – World Book Day

W/C 17th March – Assessment Week

Thursday 3rd April – Year 4 Viking Day

Thursday 3rd April – PTFA Easter Disco

Friday 4th April – Break up for Easter Holidays.

Friendly Reminders

For this half term P.E days for 4F will be on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Please ensure your child has a PE kit in school. This will stay in school until half term.

4P will be going swimming on a Wednesday. Please ensure your child has their kit in school on this day.

- Please remember to sign your child's reading book when they have read. They can change their book as soon as they have completed it. Please read with your child 5 times a week minimum. Reading diaries will be checked every Monday.
- Homework and spellings will be put on the blog on a Friday. Homework needs to be completed by the following Thursday. The children will be tested on their spellings on a Friday.



What we are studying

Maths

This half term we will be looking at length and perimeter, fractions, and decimals.

We will also be having daily mental maths activities to help improve our mental maths strategies.

The times table test will be in June. We will be focusing on learning our 6, 7 and 8 times tables this half term and then we will have covered all times tables! We will then continue to recap all of them daily. Please practice as much as you can at home.

English

In English, we will be learning how to write Viking Sagas. All the new Viking knowledge that the children will be learning throughout our Viking topic, will help them to create their own imaginative Viking Saga.

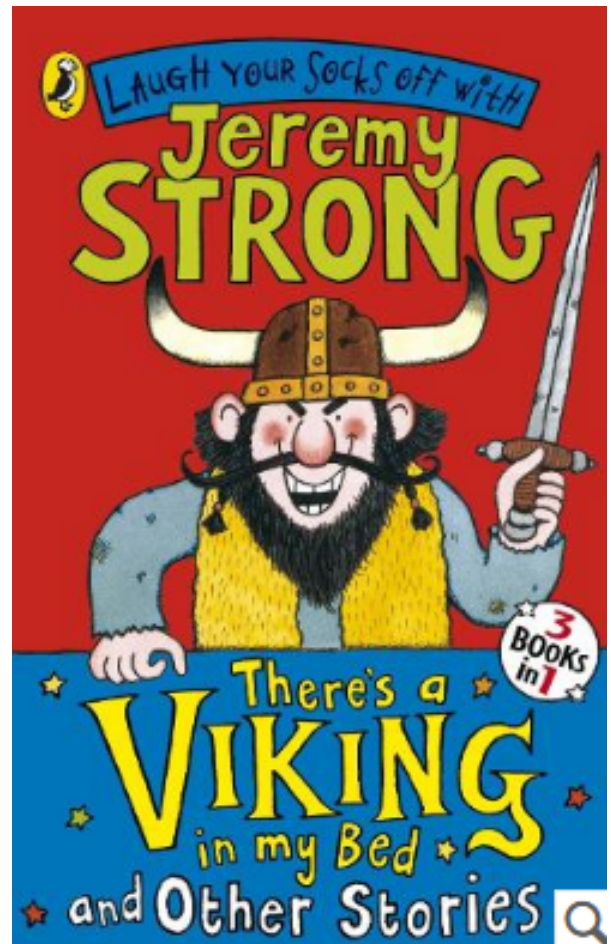
We will continue with our daily grammar and spelling lessons. Don't forget to use spelling shed to keep practising your spellings.

Our class novel this half term is 'There's a Viking in my bed' by Jeremy Strong.

History

This term, we are learning all about the 'Vicious Vikings'. We will be looking at who the Vikings were, where they came from, why the Vikings invaded Britain and how they lived.

Key Vocabulary: Viking raids, quest, Barbarian, longboat, Norseman, warrior, monastery, settlement, Danelaw, King Alfred, Jorvik, invade, settle, conquest, resistance, Trade, raid, loot, pillage, plunder



Science

In Science, our topic is 'States of Matter.' We will be grouping and classifying materials along with planning and carrying out investigations linked to solids, liquids and gases.

Key Vocabulary: Solid, liquid, gas, property, change, temperature, change state, heated, cooled, temperature, degrees Celsius, water cycle

For P.E, we will be covering gymnastics and tennis this half term and it is swimming for 4P

In DT we will be designing and making our own torches.

In PSHE we will be looking at how to keep healthy both physically and mentally.

Library days for both 4P and 4F will be on a Wednesday.