

Welcome to Year 4



The School Week:

- ▶ Daily English and Whole Class Guided reading lessons
- ▶ Daily maths lessons
- ▶ Daily story times
- ▶ 1 Science session per week
- ▶ 1 History or Geography session per week
- ▶ P.E. lessons Tuesday
- ▶ RE, Computing, French, Music, Art and PSHE lessons weekly



Homework

- ▶ **Spellings**– set on a Monday, due in and tested the following Monday. Spellings are written in their diaries and are on the class blog.
- ▶ **Reading** – at least three times per week, signed
- ▶ **English, maths, science or topic homework**– set each week and to be returned following Monday. Homework is written in their diaries and are on the class blog. This usually should take 20 to 30 minutes to complete. I usually give out a sheet for the homework.
- ▶ **Timestables** – Go on TT Rockstars. Aim to go on at least twice a week. Try to make sure that at least one session is on Studio.

Please note: The diary should be brought to school each day and I will check it every Monday.



Welcome to Aslan Base!

Our class is named after Aslan, a talking lion in the classic book 'The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe'. The book was written by C. S. Lewis and is part of a series 'The Chronicles of Narnia'. He is the only character to appear in all seven books of the series.



Curriculum



Homework



Spellings



Gallery of work
and photos



Useful Weblinks



Self-Isolation
Home Learning



The Curriculum and Assessments

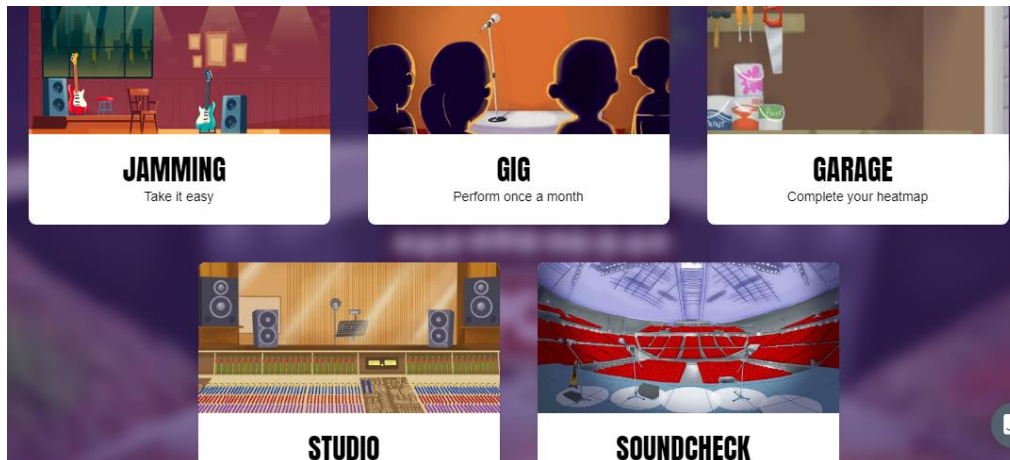
- ▶ **English:** There is a big push on spelling and grammar in the English curriculum.
- ▶ The children are assessed against age related targets. They will be assessed as either below expected standard, working towards expected standard, at expected standard and working at a greater depth within expected standard.
- ▶ **Maths Times Tables:** These continue to be essential for all elements of the maths curriculum. It is expected that all children know all their times tables (up to 12×12) by the end of Year 4. An online test (the Multiplication Tables Check or MTC) is used in July.



Times Tables – TT Rockstars

Use TT Rockstars, especially Jamming, Garage and Soundcheck to help speed up recall.

The Soundcheck game is modelled on the Multiplication Tables Check where children have 6 seconds to answer a question. There are 25 randomly selected questions.



Spelling and Spelling Shed

Similarly, spelling is an essential element of the English curriculum.

Each week children will have a spelling test in class. Children will have ten words (though some children may have less) based on a spelling theme or pattern. Use Spelling Shed to help learn the spellings at home.



Autumn Term Topics:

Whole Class Guided Reading

- The Butterfly Lion
- The Firework Maker's Daughter

Humanities Topics

- Anglo Saxons
- Vikings

Science Topics

- States of Matter
- Sound



Spring Term Topics:

Whole Class Guided Reading

- The Last Bear
- Sky Eagle

Humanities Topic

- Megacities
- Corfe Castle

Science Topic

- Electricity
- Living Things – Nature and the environment

PE: Swimming



Summer Term Topics:

Whole Class Guided Reading

- Varjak Paw
- The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe

Humanities Topic

- How and why the local area changes
- Why are jungles so wet and deserts so dry?

Science Topic

- Living Things - Classification
- Animals including humans: Digestion and Food



Leeson House:



Music:



This year we are learning to play the ukulele.



If you have any concerns during the school year:

- ▶ Please, please talk to us. I will be at the school gate at the end of the day.
- ▶ Use the homework diary as a means of communication
- ▶ Make an appointment for a phone call
- ▶ Pastoral issues – we are here to help!



How Can You Help?

- ▶ Make sure homework is completed and diaries signed
- ▶ Keep reading with your children (and sign the reading record)
- ▶ Make sure the children arrive on time
- ▶ Complete permission slips
- ▶ Keep talking to us about how things are going!
- ▶ Make sure they wear their P.E. kits to school on the appropriate days.
- ▶ Provide a pair of headphones/earphones for your child to use Spelling Shed at school.



Any questions?

