



GHYLLSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL Y4

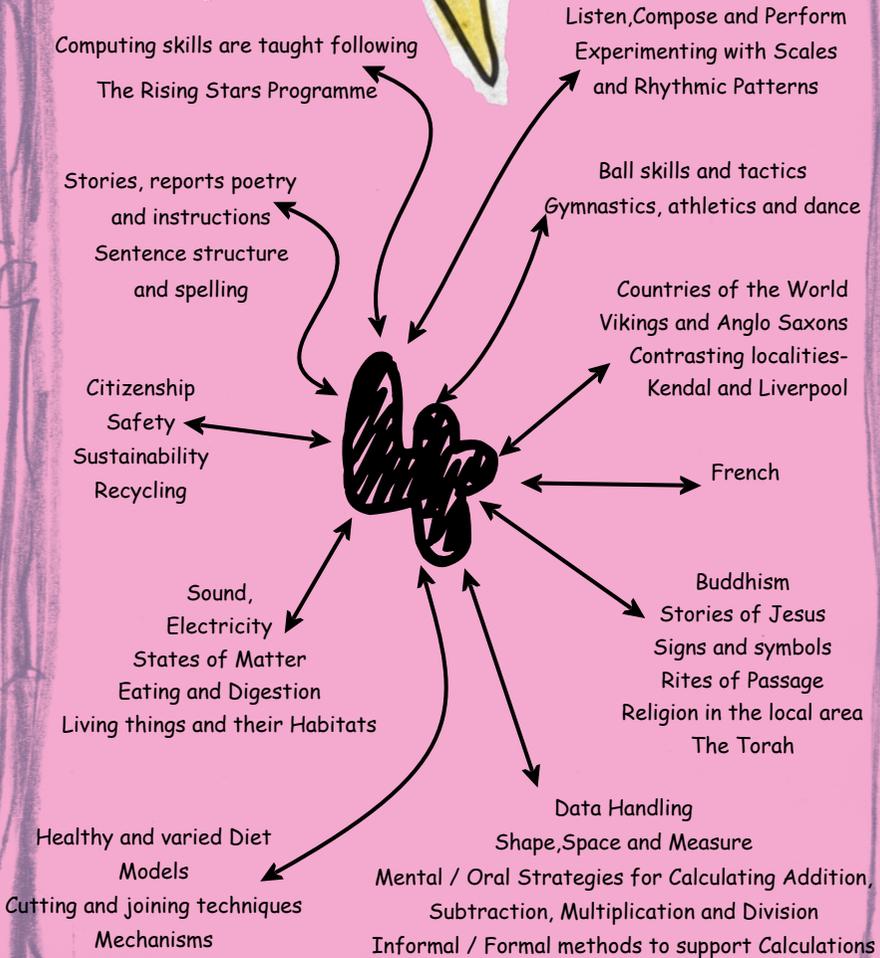
The Year 4 children are organised into 2 registration classes. They will work in these groups for the main part of the week. The teaching and learning in these groups will target the specific needs of the children in them. Children still receive an hour each week of specialist teaching in ICT and PE. Science will be taught on a weekly basis and the rest of the curriculum including RE will be taught in blocked units. Other curriculum areas will be taught in blocked units of work. For example art will be used as a medium for learning about the Vikings and Anglo Saxons.

Year 4 Teachers

- Paul Giblin -
Class teacher
- Pam Scarbro -
Class teacher
- Lindsey Gillett -
Class teacher
- Kealey Johnson
HLTA
- Lindsey Longcake -
STA
- Steve Hoare -
Specialist PE Coach
- Alistair Howell -
ICT teacher



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P.E. Kit

Indoors: Black shorts, blue T-shirt, pumps. Outdoors: as above plus trainers and warm clothing (tracksuit) Make sure your child has named indoor shoes. PE is on Thursday but please make sure your child has a named P.E. kit in school EVERYDAY. No jewellery to be worn on P.E. Days.

Water - please could children have a water bottle to keep in class every day.

Snacks - if children have a snack at morning break it needs to be a piece of fruit. This is a new school policy.

Home Activities

Your child will be given a large home activities book. Activities are given to them every Friday. It should take no longer than 30 minutes but if they are happy to spend more time on this, that's fine.

Spellings and Times Tables

Spellings and Times tables are tested weekly and new ones are given.

READING

The importance of this core skill cannot be over emphasised. Children will be asked to read in and out of school each week, from a range of different sources (school book, interest book, newspaper etc).

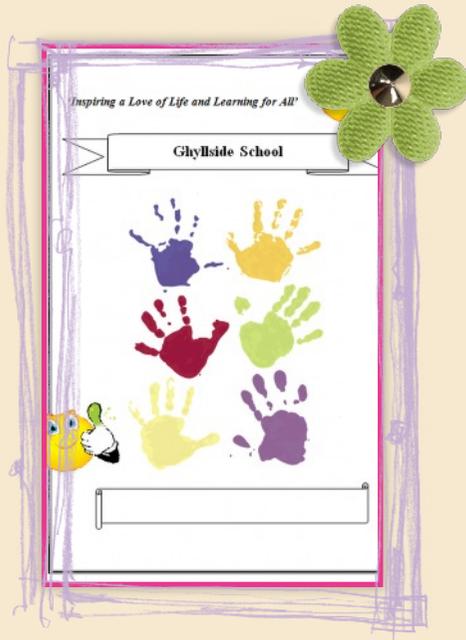
In school the children will read in silence for periods of time, be listened to by an adult and involved in Guided Reading group activities. Even at this age, when some children are competent readers, it is essential that parents take an interest in children's reading, model good reading habits and ask questions about the text in order to develop comprehension skills.



Trips and Visits

In year 4 we organise 3 trips. In Autumn we go to Martin Mere Wetland Reserve for a Viking day, in Spring the Buddhist Centre and then in Summer we go to Liverpool. We do try to keep costs to a minimum, however we request a voluntary contribution of between £10 and £20 for each trip. We also have an outdoor residential trip to Robinwood.

ASSERTIVE MENTORING:



We encourage children to become independent both in their learning and behaviour. We will continue to run the Assertive Mentoring smiley system.

Smilies will be awarded for:

- Good behaviour
- Working well in class
- Completion and content of homework
- Kindness and good manners
- Independence

Finally...

Please remember school is not responsible for your child until 8.45am. All absences need to be explained to the class teacher. Permission slips for holiday absence must be completed. These are available from the office.

If you are worried about any issues regarding your child, please do not hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher. If we have any issues concerning your child we will contact you. Please ensure the office is kept up to date with any changes in name, address and telephone contact numbers.

