

Diary Dates

- 7 Jan 2019 – Start of Spring 1 Term
- 11 Jan 2019—Year 4 Mountaineer Visit
- 15 Jan 2019 – PTFA Meeting at 1930
- 18 Jan 2019 – PTFA Bingo Night
- 28 Jan 2019 – Talent Contest Begins
- 8 Feb 2019 – PTFA Disco
- 13 Feb 2019 – PTFA Meeting at 1930
- 15 Feb 2019 – End of Spring Term 1
- 25 Feb 2019 – Start of Spring Term 2



CURRICULUM OFFER



YEAR 4

SPRING 1 2019



THE POWER OF READING

Mud, Sweat and Tears by Bear Grylls



To link with our thrill-seeking topic of **Survival**, we will be basing our writing and reading this term on the well known adventurer Bear Grylls. Information texts, character profiles and biographies will become a focus for our writing. We will delve into Bear's life, from his younger years and his inspiration for becoming an adventurer to his later, more famous adventures.



SCIENCE

Living Things and their Habitats

One of the most important aspects of survival is knowing what other living things are around you.

How do plants and animals survive? Throughout the term we will explore different habitats, where things live and grow and how the climate affects this.

Maths Multiplication, Division and Area

To begin Spring Term 1, Y4 will be continuing with using multiplication and division to solve problems, beginning with calculating lengths and perimeters or rectilinear shapes. We will then be exploring fractions and start working with fractions to solve mathematical problems.



Year 4 Online Times Table Practice

This year the Government has introduced an online times table assessment for Y4 children (more information will follow about this). They will only have **6 seconds to answer each question!** In preparation, we will be going to the ICT suite once a week to practise our times tables using the **Times Table Rockstars programme**. All children will be given a username and password for this so they can also practise using the programme or app at home!

GEOGRAPHY



We will be learning about **physical geography in the UK**. **What physical features do you know?** Beach, cliff, coast, forest, hill, mountain, sea, ocean, river, soil, valley. We will also be discovering some of the **national parks across the UK** where people such as Bear Grylls go hiking, e.g. Peak District, Yorkshire Dales, Lake District, Brecon Beacons and Snowdonia.

SPORTS

This term in our PE sessions we will be focussing on both football and indoor athletics, focussing on basic skills and team work. **Y4L will be attending swimming sessions this term on Monday afternoons.** In addition, children will have the opportunity to be involved in taster sessions and trials for teams.

MUSIC – having a great time making instruments out of everyday objects and using them in a STOMP! Style.

ART – recreating mountain and river landscapes in collage and weaving.

PHSE— Dreams and Goals.
ICT— E-safety (cyberbullying).