

Year 4



Dear Parents/Carers,



Year 4 have had another fantastic week of learning as we head into our final week before half term. In English, the children have been working hard to write persuasive letters, carefully choosing powerful vocabulary and persuasive techniques. In Maths, we have continued to build confidence with subtraction, using different strategies to solve problems accurately.

A big thank you to all parents and carers for your continued support—it really makes a difference to the children's learning and progress.

We are also very excited about our upcoming trip to **Gostrey Meadows on Tuesday**. Please remember to check the trip information sent home and ensure children come prepared for the day.

We're looking forward to another brilliant week together!

Friday 17th October – Harvest Festival. As always, we would very much appreciate any **in date, non-perishable** food items or toiletries, preferably from the list below:

- Tinned potatoes
- Tinned fruit
- UHT juice
- Boxes of chocolate - these are put into parcels at Christmas

Tuesday 21st October – Year 4 Field trip to Gostrey Meadows.

Homework

Spelling - Your child has been given the following spellings to learn for next Friday. You can also practise these on Spelling Shed.

strength
grammar
calendar
women
appear
straight
interest
opposite
increase
believe

Times Table Rockstars – Children are expected to work in the 'garage' section for at least 21 minutes per week. Please encourage your child to complete this.

Accelerated Reading – Complete quizzes as and when your child has completed books. This should be roughly once per week. A common issue logging into accelerated reader, is the link, the following link will take you to the St Polycarp's portal which will ensure log in details are correct:

<https://login.renaissance.com/12d2c82e-5d71-4f43-b9a3-32d66f06dfcf?state=1558619e-124e-4167-9a6b-9e1fdd099032>

Maths – Maths homework has been set on maths.co.uk.

<https://whiteroseeducation.com/parent-pupil-resources/maths/maths-with-michael>

This link will help explain how we have taught mathematical concepts in school. This week have we continued to teach subtraction.

Many thanks for continuing to support your child's learning. If you have any questions or messages for your child's class teacher, please come and speak to us at the end of the day or email info@stpolycarps.surrey.sch.uk.

The Year 4 Team

Mr Jacobs & Miss Vardy

➤ MTC PREP SCHEDULE ✕

SEPTEMBER

GARAGE
(mins per week)
21

21 minutes a week is the magic number for achieving top MTC scores.

OCTOBER

GARAGE
(mins per week)
21

AUTUMN OUMTC*



NOVEMBER & DECEMBER

GARAGE
(mins per week)
21

JANUARY & FEBRUARY

SOUNDCHECK
(games per week)
3

GARAGE
(mins per week)
18

SPRING OUMTC*



MARCH

SOUNDCHECK
(games per week)
5

GARAGE
(mins per week)
16

APRIL

SOUNDCHECK
(games per week)
3

STUDIO
(games per week)
3

GARAGE
(mins per week)
15

MAY

SOUNDCHECK
(games per week)
6

STUDIO
(games per week)
15

SUMMER OUMTC*



JUNE

SOUNDCHECK
(games per week)
21

*The OUMTC is our own mini MTC and it is in semi test conditions. It will give you a good idea of how your students will perform on the real thing. Take part in three OUMTCs throughout the year to give you a baseline, benchmark and time to respond to the results



Please see below for guidance on reading in Key Stage Two

Reading in Key Stage 2

Handy Hints



- Make reading part of your daily routine.
- Short sessions – **15 minutes per day.**
- Continue to read out loud to an adult as well as independently.
- Try to read a range of books including fiction and non-fiction.
- Complete the Accelerated Reader quiz at home, ideally within 24-48 hours of finishing the book.

How can parents help?

Reading improves with practice.

Encourage your child to read at home, share your own books, discuss books, ask questions about the book they have read and visit the local library.

Check that your child is completing the reading quiz – this is part of their weekly homework.