



YEAR 4 NEWSLETTER

Spring 2026



Staff

Class Teacher: Mrs Parsons

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,
Thursday, Friday.

Teaching Assistant: Mrs Wane

PPA cover: Mr Johns

Monday afternoons

Welcome back to the spring term! I hope you all enjoyed a restful Christmas break. We have an exciting term ahead, full of new learning opportunities, projects and experiences that we hope the children will embrace with enthusiasm. From their first geography field trip to preparing for our upcoming production, this term truly has a little bit of everything! It was a delight to watch the children grow in confidence and ability during the autumn term, and we are very much looking forward to watching their wonderful progress continue as they flourish further throughout the spring term - hopefully alongside a little more sunshine as the weeks go on!

READING

Reading will always be of great importance in all areas of learning. In class, we are constantly reading whether it is TRIC, Guided Reading, English lessons or 1:1 (to name a few). The staff talk to the children often about reading at home to help with their fluency, understanding of a text and to encourage them to escape into a good book!

Over the last term, reading at home has visibly dwindled across a huge number of children in the class. Please ensure you are reading with your child at least three times a week. Give the children 10/15 minutes of your time, each night, to showcase their skills and wow you! If you could then write in your child's diary we can celebrate their hard work.

HOME LEARNING

Mathletics - will continue to be set weekly. This either links to the learning set in class or a recap from previous learning. Please help support your children by making this part of your home routine and ensure children have a small whiteboard or piece of paper available to help with jottings.

Spellings - will continue to be set weekly, supporting the learning in class.



PE Days

Monday: Indoor PE

Wednesday: Outdoor PE



"READING IS A PASSPORT TO COUNTLESS ADVENTURES."
- MARY POPE OSBORNE



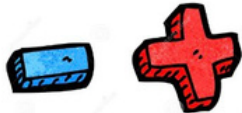
MATHS

Multiplication and division

Fractions

Addition and subtraction

Area



SPELLINGS

Spellings from the Statutory

Word List

Prefixes

Homographs

Suffixes 'ible' and 'able'

Homophones

ENGLISH

Narrative: Fairytales

Persuasion

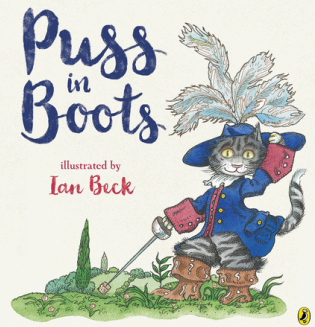
Adverts

Poems with a theme

PHILIP PULLMAN

*Puss
in
Boots*

illustrated by
Ian Beck



LEARNING



PE

Gymnastics

Invasion Games

Wall and Net

MUSIC

Easter production

Clarinet

GEOGRAPHY

South America - the Amazon

Key Knowledge:

- The location and principal features of the Amazon, situating it within the globe and the South American continent and comparing and contrasting it with South-East Brazil.
- How physical processes involving rivers, the water cycle and rainforests distinctively apply to the Amazon.
- How some human beings have adapted to life in the Amazon
- Children will also be able to Interpret a range of maps and aerial views of the Amazon and apply this information to their understanding of it.



GEOGRAPHY

Rainforests

Key Knowledge

- The key elements of a rainforest biome, and how these elements contrast with other biomes
- The main location of the world's rainforests (including the Congo)
- Why rainforests are so important
- Threats to the rainforests
- How some human beings have adapted to life in the rainforest



SCIENCE

Sound

Electricity



LEARNING



RE

Jesus, the Son of God

The Easter betrayal

PSHE

Keeping myself safe

Rights and responsibilities

Computing

Writing for different audiences

Microbits

ART

Ancient Egyptian scrolls

Easter cards

FRENCH

Describing things and people

Expressing like and saying what I and others do



Design & Technology

Mechanisms—designing, making and evaluating a moving car (CAMS)

We are always looking for anyone to support our learning. If you have a keen interest or experience in any of our future areas of learning, please let me know and I can incorporate a visit or any information you may have.

Please keep your eye on social media platforms, school website and seesaw for information and photos that support and showcase the learning across school.



Instagram

SOCIALMEDIA



'grimsarghstmichaels'
on Instagram

'Grimstargh StMichael's C of E
Primary School' on Facebook.

Uniform

As a school we are constantly ensuring high standards across school life. One of the areas that we are keen to focus on is school uniform. It is really important for children to wear the correct uniform; especially school shoes not trainers and no earrings.

Please see the school prospectus for a uniform guide



DIARY DATES

Wednesday 14th Jan: Book bus

Monday 19th Jan: Extra-curricular clubs start

Tuesday 27th Jan: Year 4 geography field trip

Monday 9th Feb: Children's mental health week

Tuesday 10th Feb: Safer internet day

Thursday 26th Feb: All children receiving first-aid training

Tuesday 3rd March: Parents/carer evening (3:40pm - 6:30pm)

Wednesday 4th March: Parents/carer evening (3:40pm - 6:30pm)

Thursday 5th March: World book day

Monday 23rd March: Year 3/4 Easter performance dress rehearsal

Tuesday 24th March: Year 3 / 4 Easter performance 2pm

Wednesday 25th March: Year 3 / 4 Easter Performance 2pm

Please also take note of the diary dates on the school news letter as we are always adding events!

T2P is also used to keep in touch about key events and home learning. Please check this regularly.



If you wish to make contact with the staff in school please use either email or T2P. Replies will be given during staff working hours.

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