

Broke Hall Primary School

Year 4 Newsletter Autumn 2026

The children have all made a positive start to Year 4 and we are looking forward to a great year together. This term our history learning is linked to Anglo-Saxons. As part of our learning, we will be visiting West Stow Anglo-Saxon village on 7th October (details to follow). Along with the historical content, this topic will also cover aspects of geography and English. In geography, we will be learning about The United Kingdom. Our science focus during this half term is states of matter - we will be learning about the properties of materials and looking at changes in state. We will also be learning about 'sound' in the second half of the term, investigating pitch, volume and tone.

English

We will be writing adventure stories, persuasive writing and compiling newspaper reports.

Maths

We will be developing understanding of place value, strategies for calculating addition, subtraction, multiplication and division and the application of these in relation to problem solving. Please encourage your child to practise times tables regularly by using Times Tables Rockstars, in preparation for the government's multiplication check at the end of year 4.

Homework

Homework is an important part of your child's learning. They will receive a piece of homework every two weeks, which will be set on a Tuesday and handed in on a Monday. (deadline marked clearly on the task sheet). These homework tasks will be related to our learning in either English, maths or our foundation subject learning. (Log in details for Times Tables Rockstars and Accelerated Reader will be on the front of your child's reading record).

Reading

Please encourage your child to read at least 5 times a week and record this in their reading record. This will be checked once a week. This can be recorded by an adult or by the child themselves. At least 2 entries per week should be signed by an adult.



Trips

We will be visiting the Anglo-Saxon village of West Stow this term.

More details to follow soon.



Art

A reminder that children should have an old shirt or an art apron to keep in school for art activities. This needs to be named.

P.E. and Games

P.E will take place on a Wednesday (indoors) and a Thursday (outdoors). Please ensure your child comes to school in P.E. kit on these days, but wearing school shoes and school jumper. They must bring in trainers to change into and warm kit for outside. We ask that earrings are not worn on these days. If earrings do need to be worn, then the children need to bring in tape to cover them.

Well-being week

From the 7th-11th September we will be celebrating well-being week in school. During this week, the children will have the opportunity to reflect upon both their physical and mental health. Why not ask them to share their highlights from this week with you?

Presentation

As a whole school we are working to improve the presentation of work. Please encourage this in your child's homework tasks. A pencil should be used for writing in homework books, please.