



"Learning together,  
learning for life"

## SPRING TERM 2026

### KEY DATES:

W/C 02.03.26

Book Week

03.03.26 -

Minstead Parent  
Meeting @4pm

05.03.26 -

World Book Day  
Dress Up Day

W/B 09.03.26 -

STEM Week

20.03.26 - Red

Nose Day

26.03.26 -

Spring Discos

27.03.26 -

Easter Bonnet  
Parade

# Year Four Newsletter – Spring 2 2026

We hope that you had a lovely half term break. We have lots of exciting learning ahead of us, and can't wait to get started.



<p style="text-align: center;"><b>English</b></p> <p>In English we will be studying the text 'Varjak Paw'. Our Guided Reading and English lessons will link to Varjak Paw. We will write a conversation focussing on two characters and then write a character description.</p> <p>After this, we will write an interview with a character in the style of 'An Interview with a Panda' by Andy Seed.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Maths</b></p> <p>In maths, we will be continuing our work on addition and subtraction, with this then leading to some revision on time. From here, our focus will then turn to multiplication and division, where we will be applying our skills to problem solving. In addition to this we will be continuing our daily times tables practise.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Science</b></p> <p>In science, we are continuing to learn about states of matter: solid, liquid and gas. We will be investigating how these changes occur and how we can speed up or change them.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>ICT</b></p> <p>The children will be learning how to record and edit their own audio to create a story in Microsoft PowerPoint.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Geography and History</b></p> <p>Our geography question is 'What is a river and where does it go?' We will be learning about rivers, where they begin and end and the animals that live on and in them.</p> <p>In history, we will be learning about the Vikings, deciding if they were brutal invaders.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Art</b></p> <p>In art, we will be studying the artist Georgia O'Keefe. We will be looking at some of her artwork, following which we will be creating a clay flower sculpture.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>PE</b></p> <p>Our PE days this half term are Tuesday and Thursday. We will be outside learning for both lessons. Please ensure your child has appropriate clothing for the weather.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Music</b></p> <p>This half term, the children have an exciting opportunity to learn the steel pans. We have invested in the hiring of a class set of steel pans so the children can experience an instrument from a very different part of the world. All of our children will have at least two weeks to play this Caribbean tuned percussion instrument.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>PSHE</b></p> <p>This half term, our PSHE will continue to focus on relationships. We will learn how to deal with disputes, value differences and show empathy for our friends and family.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>RE-</b> This half term, we will be looking at the theme of ritual in religion, focusing on the Easter story</p>		

Please continue to support your child learning their times tables and reading at home - they are making fantastic progress!

**Miss Ashbolt**

**Miss Palmer**

**Mr Wakeford**