



Year 4 Newsletter Term 1

Curriculum

This term, our key questions are:

What is the historical significance of Temple Manor to us?

This term our questions will bring together many aspects of the curriculum. We will be learning about the importance of Temple Manor, investigate how it has changed over time and its influence on the Knights Templar and their crusade to the Holy Land. If you have any artefacts for Temple Manor at home, please feel free to bring these in and share them with the rest of the class. In Science, we will be learning about teeth and investigating the digestive system.

This term our class text is *The Secret Diary of John Drawbridge* by Philip Ardagh which is a story about a young boy who is sent to train to be a knight. There is an attack on the castle and his secret diary is filled with action, fun and facts about medieval knights. We will continue to use our Whole Class Reading sessions to explore and analyse the text in detail and use this to feed into our learning in all areas of the curriculum.

P.E./Games

PE kits must be worn into school on the days that you have PE. Earrings must be removed for all P.E, swimming and games lessons.

P.E. days for Year 4 are as follows:

Outdoor PE - **Tuesday**

Indoor PE - **Thursday**

Home Learning

Spellings

Spellings will be given out every other week.

Maths

Personalised Maths home learning will be set weekly on Sumdog and/or TTRS.

Reading

Please read daily and record this in your Reading Record. This can be your school reading book or your book from the 40 book challenge. In the new reading records you are able to identify any tricky words or new words you have read and give your book a score out of 10 in the comments. House points will be awarded for children who read every day.

Tea Time Talks

3 questions will be sent home weekly for you to discuss on the previous week's learning.

Key dates for your diary

- 11th September** - Letter to be handed back to school for teeth investigation and disclosing tablets
- 13th September** - Bring in a toothbrush and toothpaste for the investigation
- 18th September** - Letter/Consent to be completed on Arbor for the School Visit to Temple Manor
- 18th September** - Meet the Teacher Evening
- 22nd September** - TEMPO AGM 1.30pm
- 26th September** - Flu immunisations YR-6
- 2nd October** - School Visit to Temple Manor
- 20th October** - Last day of term