



# Year 4: Summer 2 - Survival

## What's our focus this term?

This half-term, the children will continue their Survival topic. This second Geography-based unit will focus on the study of mountains and rivers.

Children will also continue their exploration of Shackleton's Journey and reflect on the skills needed to make a successful team player. This will prepare them for their end of year adventure trip to Runways End.



The children have worked exceedingly hard to prepare for the Year 4 Multiplication times table check. These nationwide tests will be beginning on Tuesday 7th June and will continue for 2 weeks with different children sitting the test on different days. We will then be sending your child's results home on Friday 1st July.

We are extremely grateful for the support parents and carers have given to help the children to prepare for the test and we cannot wait to see their results.

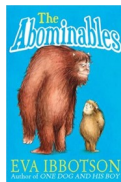
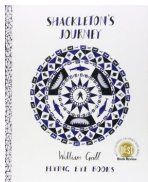
However, it is vital that times table practise continues after the tests to ensure children maintain their understanding to ensure they are prepared for the challenges of upper school maths.

## Summer 2 (7 weeks): Survival

Stimulus: Runways End trip

English text: Shackleton's Journey

Class reader: The Abominables



Geography: Mountains and Rivers

Computing: Digital photography

RE: Sacred Places (Christianity)

Art: Study of Picasso

Science: Mixtures and separating them

PE: Athletics and Rounders

French: Picture book

PSHE: Emergencies in Control

Design Technology: Survival bars

Music: L2M music program (Keyboards)

## KEY DATES

**7th June:** Year 4 times table tests begin

**10th June:** Break the Rules Day

**W/C 13th June:** Book Fair

**14th/ 17th June:** Year 4 visit to Holy Trinity Church

**16th June:** Sports Day

**W/C 20th June:** Healthy Relationship Week

**24th June:** Outdoor Cinema

**30th June:** Race for Life

**1st July - 2nd July:** Family Camp out

**6th July:** Year 4 Bronze, Silver and Gold Parent assembly

**6th July:** Year 4 to watch Baton Run on Queen's Avenue

**7th July:** Move up morning

**8th July:** Camo Day

**W/C 11th July:** Maths Investigation week

**14th July:** School Disco

**18th/ 19th July:** Year 4 trip to Runways End

**20th July:** Talavera Treat

**21st July:** Last day of term - **1:15pm finish**

## HOMEWORK

The children have got off to a good start with their homework but please be aware that we will now be ensuring that this is always completed, as part of their preparation for upper school.

In Year 4, homework consists of a weekly Mathematics (online) and an English task (paper sheet). Both are set on a Monday and due in the following Monday.

5 'rule breakers' or tricky words will be sent home on a Monday in their spelling book and via text to practice. We also ask that you continue to practise times tables recall with your children regularly and continue to use TT Rockstars.

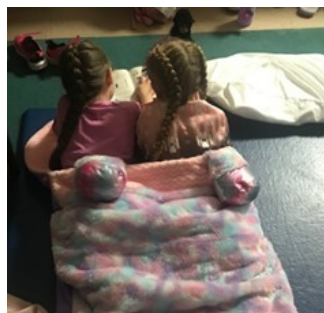
Finally, we ask that you ensure they are reading either a school book or a book from home at least 3 times per week and that this is recorded in their reading record and signed by an adult.

Thank you in advance for your support.

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## Year 4 Survival Sleepover

Last half-term, the children had an amazing time at the Survival sleepover and Survival day. Here are a few photos to show what we got up to.



## Runways End

Last half-term, you will have received your Arbor invite for the children's final trip of the year to Runways End. This is a fantastic end of year treat for all children and one that is always greatly enjoyed. Please ensure you have given permission for your child to attend and paid the £27 (this can be paid in instalments). If you require support with this, please do not hesitate to contact the office. On the day, children will be required to be dropped off and collected from Runways End. Once again, if you require support with transportation, please contact the school office. If you have any further questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Miss Coombs or your child's class teacher.

## Reminders

Please be aware that the heat within the classrooms is steadily increasing. For this reason, it is vital that your child comes into school **with a water bottle**.

Please also ensure that all your child's uniform (including jumpers) **are named** to ensure they can quickly be returned to them if they are found.

Finally, we understand the year is coming to an end; however, please ensure that children are coming into school **in the correct school uniform** (including appropriate PE kit). If you are unsure or have any questions regarding this, please check the school website or contact the school office.

Thank you in advance

