CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

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Year Four

Welcome to the Autumn 1 edition of the Year 4 Elm newsletter. You will find lots of information about the curriculum, how to help your child at home and any other notes. If you have any questions, please ask the class teacher. Our current learning journey is: **What are the advantages and disadvantages of living in a place like Athens?**

Curriculum outline

Reading: This half term, the children will be reading the text 'Why the Whales Came'. We will be using extracts to build comprehension skills by analysing vocabulary and answering different style questions. We will also be using a selection of unseen texts to build our reading
fluency.

Writing: This half term, the children will be writing to persuade by applying their geography learning to create an advert for a European holiday destination. They will also be writing to inform by creating a fact file linked to their science topic of digestion.

Maths: This half terms maths focus continues to be addition and subtraction. Children will continue to use a range strategies and representations to add and subtract 4-digit numbers. Children will move on to study area followed by multiplication and division.

Science: The children will be learning about animals including humans. They will be learning about the human digestive system and what role each organ has within this. They will also learn about different teeth animals and humans have, followed by food chains.

DT: Children will create a strong structure that can hold an average size egg. When tested, the structure holding the egg should not break.

Geography: Children be studying Athens, Greece, as part of our European place study, exploring its human and physical geographical features and investigating the advantages and disadvantages of living in a city like Athens.

Helping your child at home

To support your child at home, you should:

- Listen to them read each night and record this in their planner.
- Practise their timetable recall each night by asking them quick fire questions.
- Encourage children to log onto times tables games such as hit the button and **TT Rockstars**.
- Practice spellings on **EdShed**.
- PE days are Monday and Tuesday



Notes

- 03.11.26 – Halloween Disco
- 13.11.26 – Children in Need
- 13.11.26- Christmas Performance @ Laburnham Light Switch On
- 16.11.26 – Odd Socks day
- 23.11.26- Stay and Science 2.30pm
- 04.12.26 – Pantomime in school
- 10.12.26 – Christmas jumper day
- 14.12.26 – Christmas fayre – 1.30pm
- 15.12.26 – Santa's grotto
- 16.12.26 – Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day
- 18.12.26 - Christmas Party