




**Almondsbury**

Church of England Primary School

*Creating our Pathways*

**Welcome to  
Year 3 & 4  
Mrs Lansdown  
& Mr Dean**

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday AM	Wednesday PM	Thursday	Friday
Mrs Lansdown	Mrs Lansdown	Mrs Lansdown	Mr Dean	Mr Dean	Mr Dean

# Year 3 & 4

Year 3, 3&4 and 4 work closely together and plan lessons as a team to ensure that all children receive the same curriculum.

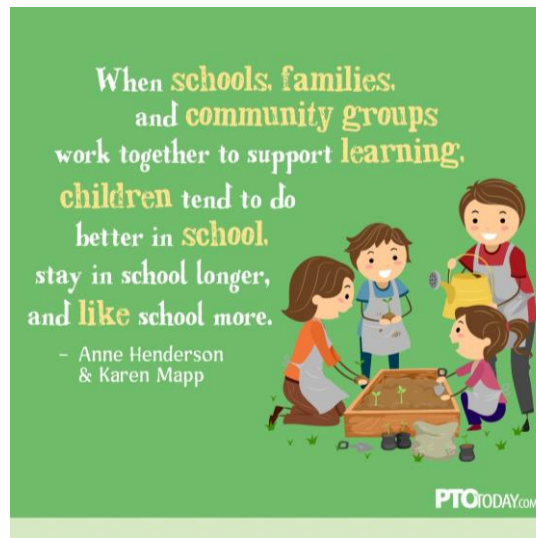
We work on a two-year cycle, so all topics are covered at some point during the two years.



**T**ogether  
**E**veryone  
**A**chieves  
**M**ore



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# Current Procedures - Entry/Exit

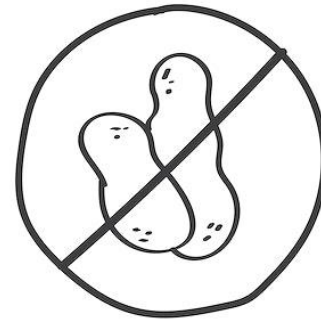
Children can enter the Key Stage playground from 8.45 am.  
The children will finish at 3.30pm and will be taken to the side of the school.

Children are encouraged to wait and let us know when they see who is picking them up.

Children can walk to the KS1 playground if their sibling is being picked up. They must come back if they do not see you.

## Current Procedures - Snacks and Water

- ▶ To ensure hydration, children must bring water bottles to school. These can be refilled in school
- ▶ Healthy snacks can be eaten during break time.
- ▶ Toast will be available from Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September.  
**Remember we are a nut free school.**

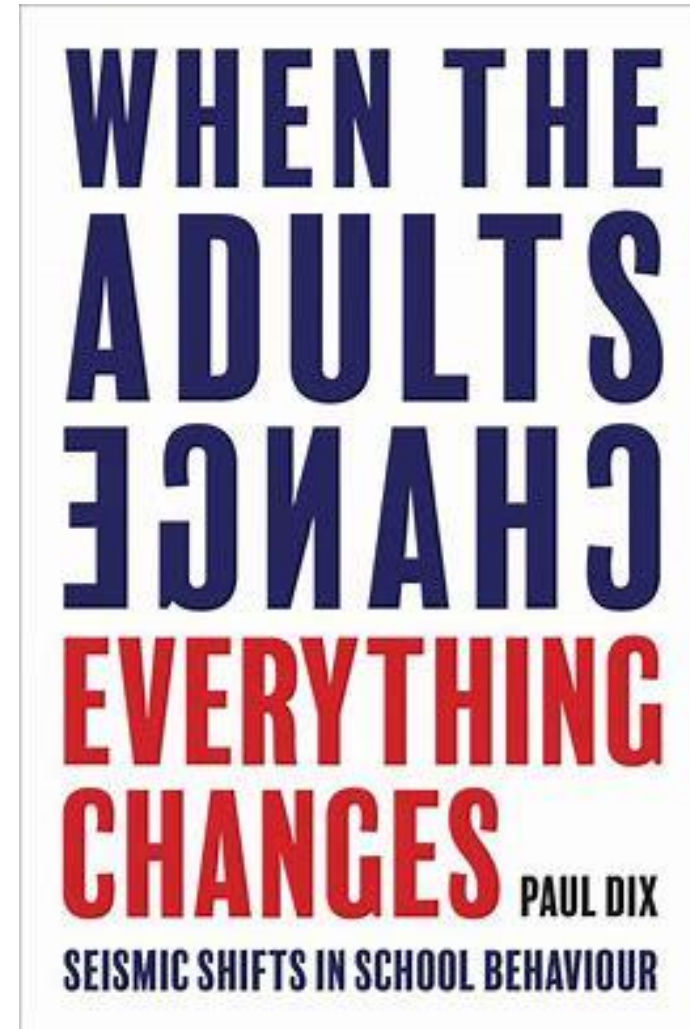


**Nut Free**



## Behaviour policy

- ▶ Respectful
- ▶ Ready
- ▶ Safe





# Knowledge organiser

This side is information for parents. It gives you a breakdown of the key facts the children will learn during the topic, shows links learning from topics in previous year groups and allows you to see what will be taught in other subjects across the term.



Year Group.....3/4..... Topic.....Rivers of the World.....



Previous Learning  
Links

The oceans and continents

The names of some European countries

## Understanding of the seasons and weather

Understanding of  
climate in different  
areas of the world.

### Location



### Essential Knowledge

### The stages of the water cycle

The features of rivers from source to mouth

Understand biomes and vegetation belts

Identify uplands and lowlands

Understand human activity including types of settlement, trade links and the distribution of natural resources

Use maps, atlases and globes to locate countries and describe their features

Identify and locate oceans and continents across the world



## Learning in Other Subjects

English: Narrative based The Rhythm of the rain, explanation text and Poetry

Maths: Place value, addition and subtraction and multiplication and division

Science: States of matter and The water cycle

Computing: Logo - programming skills

REAL PE: Invasion games, dynamic balance and coordination

RE: Hindus in Britain and Religious Festivals

HeartSmart: Get HeartSmart and Fake is a Mistake

DT: Mini habitat biomes - terrariums


Art: Monet

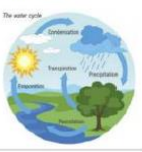

### Music: Musical Structures

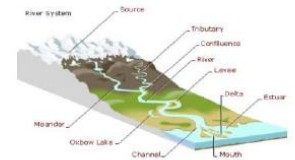
MFL: Greetings and classroom instructions

# Knowledge organiser

These websites are aimed at children and are great for helping with homework projects or finding out more together.


 **Photos and Enrichment**







Useful websites to explore:

- <http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/rivers/features.html>
- <https://www.3dgeography.co.uk/river-facts>
- <https://www.twinkl.co.uk/blog/homework-help-rivers>
- <https://www.theschoolrun.com/homework-help-rivers>
- <https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/home-is-good/fascinating-facts-about-rivers/>

 **Talk like a Historian**

 **Talk like a Geographer**


- tributary
- waterfall
- source
- mouth
- meander
- oxbow lake
- mudflat
- erosion

 **Talk like a Scientist**

- solid
- liquid
- gas
- particles
- properties
- melting
- freezing
- boiling
- evaporation
- condensation
- precipitation
- accumulation
- runoff
- groundwater
- water vapour

 **Talk like an Author**

- plunge
- swelling
- winding
- wondered
- currents
- gratefully
- cleverly
- wandering
- grizzling
- cautiously
- prancing
- humble
- treacherous
- ushering
- glimpses
- clutching

 **Talk like a Mathematician**

- digit
- partition
- thousands
- hundreds
- tens
- ones
- ascending
- add
- plus
- subtract
- take away
- difference between
- multiply
- product
- divide

**Quality Texts**

The Wind in the Willows by Kenneth Grahame

Journey to the River Sea by Eva Ibbotson

The Rhythm of the Rain by Grahame Baker-Smith



Our 'Talk Like an Expert' section gives you examples of the subject-specific vocabulary we will be using each term. The more the children can be hearing and using these words, the better. Try sticking it to your fridge and talking about the words together or having a 'word of the day' challenge in your family!

This section gives suggestions for age-appropriate novels and non-fiction books linked to the topic. We may use these in class too.



# Maths

- ▶ In Year 4, all children will take part in a Multiplication Tables Check (MTC).
- ▶ The MTC is an on-screen assessment designed to determine whether children are able to fluently recall their multiplication up to 12, through a set of timed questions.
- ▶ The purpose of the check is to determine whether children can fluently recall their times tables up to  $12 \times 12$ , which is essential for future success in mathematics.
- ▶ As a school, we use Times Tables Rockstars. It is a great app to use to improve Times Tables knowledge and the 'Soundcheck' section is what the MTC will look like.
- ▶ We have a launch day on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September.
- ▶ The more exposure to Times Tables, the better!



# English

- ▶ Handwriting
- ▶ Presentation
- ▶ Book focus: Currently we are looking at 'The Promise'. Next week we begin our new book 'The Rhythm of the Rain'.
- ▶ Vocabulary



<u>Talk like an Author</u>	<u>Talk like a Geographer</u>	<u>Talk like a Scientist</u>	<u>Talk like a Mathematician</u>	<u>Talk like an RE Expert</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• grizzling</li> <li>• cautiously</li> <li>• prancing</li> <li>• humble</li> <li>• treacherous</li> <li>• ushering</li> <li>• glimpses</li> <li>• clutching</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• tributary</li> <li>• waterfall</li> <li>• source</li> <li>• mouth</li> <li>• meander</li> <li>• oxbow lake</li> <li>• mudflat</li> <li>• erosion</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• evaporation</li> <li>• condensation</li> <li>• precipitation</li> <li>• accumulation</li> <li>• runoff</li> <li>• groundwater</li> <li>• water vapour</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• add</li> <li>• plus</li> <li>• subtract</li> <li>• take away</li> <li>• difference between</li> <li>• multiply</li> <li>• product</li> <li>• divide</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• puja</li> <li>• deity</li> <li>• dharma</li> <li>• Gandhi</li> <li>• Diwali</li> <li>• Passover</li> <li>• Pesach</li> </ul>

# P.E

- ▶ PE for Term 1 will be on a Monday and Tuesday. Please ensure the children come into school in their PE kit on these days.
- ▶ PE days will change during each term.
- ▶ We will be swimming in Terms 3 and 4.



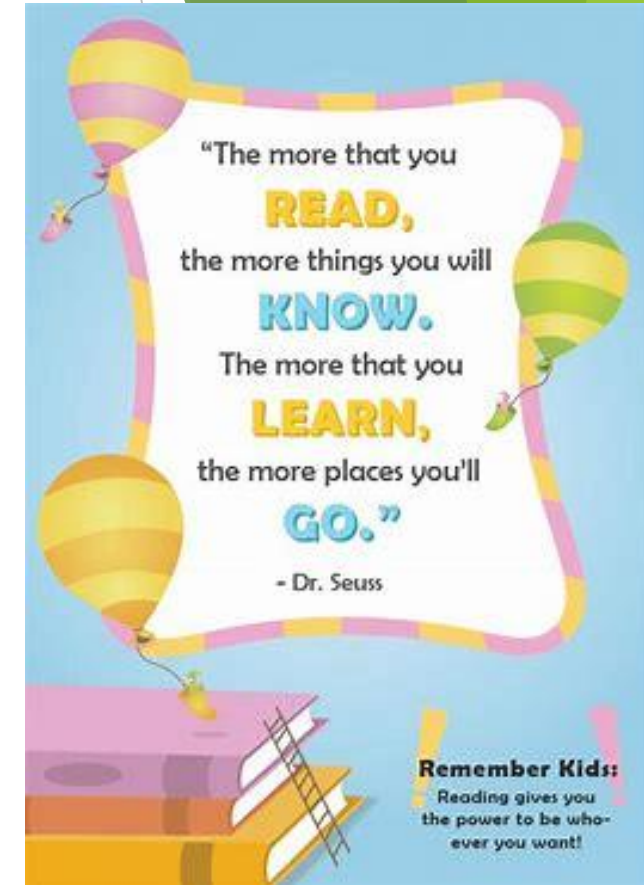
# Homework

- ▶ Spelling: Letter will be sent out this week with rules taught in class and assessed through writing.
- ▶ Maths Attack: Every Thursday.
- ▶ Times Tables Rockstars
- ▶ Telling the Time
- ▶ There will be a creative piece of homework to link in with each topic that we do.



# Reading

- ▶ Author of the term
- ▶ Reading challenges
- ▶ Reading and the developing a love of reading has now been recognised by the DFE as a priority. Please continue to support and inspire your children to read at home. Daily Reading.
- ▶ Reading scheme books and Library books: If they need to be changed, bring them in and new books distributed every Wednesday.
- ▶ Guided Reading homework is given out every Friday to read over the weekend. Please bring the text back by the following Monday as we will be using this in class. VIPERS. Vocabulary.





# Website and school news app

- ▶ Please regularly check our class page on the school website for any important information and news. Most information is also available through the School News app which can be downloaded onto both Apple and Android phones.



HOME > CLASSES > MRS LANDSDOWN AND MR DEAN'S CLASS

## Mrs Lansdown and Mr Dean's Class

Welcome Vector Art, Icons, and Graphics for Free Download

### Class Teachers

Mrs Lansdown - Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday morning

Mr Dean - Wednesday afternoon, Thursday and Friday

# Online safety is a shared responsibility!

## At school:

We teach the children how to be safe online, how to use the internet responsibly and closely monitor their use.

## At home:

We need you to reinforce what is being taught at school, know what applications are age appropriate and closely monitor your child's use of the internet.





Instagram



Facebook



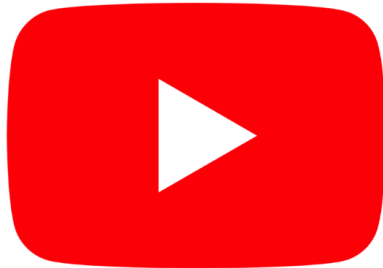
Snapchat



Musical.ly



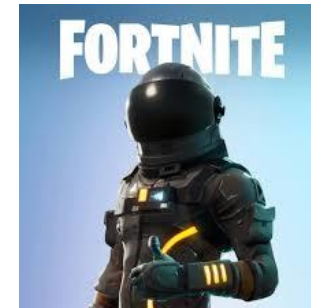
Whatsapp



YouTube



Tik Tok



Fortnite

**All of these  
applications  
have age  
limits!**

**Children  
must be 13  
years old to  
use them!**

## USE OF THE INTERNET

Children get the opportunity to develop their internet skills in all subject areas. They are taught how to use the internet safely and how some information found on the internet can be unreliable. During Computing lessons children have specific E-safety lessons. They are taught the SMART e-safety rules as well as being taught online research and note taking skills.

As a duty of care, teaching staff will inform a member of the Senior Leadership Team or a member of the Computing Team if they have evidence of children using websites or applications that are not appropriate for them. This includes sites and applications that children are using at home. The Computing Team or SLT will follow this up with both the child and parent and report the child to the company concerned.

Many websites have an age restriction of 13 and over, and are therefore not suitable for any Primary aged children.

The following applications/sites are examples and are not an exhaustive list.

Application/Site	Age Restriction
Musical.ly	age limit 13+
Fortnite	age limit 12+
Instagram	age limit 13+
Facebook	age limit 13+
WhatsApp	age limit 13+
Snapchat	age limit 13+
YouTube channel	age limit 13+
Minecraft	has two age limit settings 7+ & 13+

### School Policy

There is a clear section in our Computing policy that addresses use of the internet.



What's your  
hopes for your  
child this year





# Any questions?

I am very happy to answer general questions now. However, if you have any personal queries that you would prefer to ask privately, please email me.

The best time to catch me during the week is after school.



**Thank You**  
We look forward to  
working with you this  
year 😊

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