

# What's happening in Year 4?

## Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope that you and your family had an enjoyable Easter Holiday. We have all been absolutely thrilled with the fantastic Spring Term the children have enjoyed. The children really approached school with diligence and enthusiasm.

We have now reached the Summer Term! We have lots of exciting things planned for this term, including a trip to Temple Newsam House to learn more about the Tudors!

As ever, if you need to speak to a member of staff about your child's progress, please feel free to approach any of us and we'll be happy to help!

## Important Dates:

**Polling Day: Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> May**  
(School closed to children; not Y6)

**May Day: Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May**  
(School closed for everyone)

**Half Term: wc Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May**

**Staff Training Day: Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June**  
(school closed for children)

## Curriculum

### Tudors

This half term we will be investigating who the Tudors were and what it was like at that time. The children will be taking part in lots of exciting activities throughout the rest of the term; learning more about the different Tudor monarchs, including Henry VIII and his children and their roles as monarchs. We will also be investigating other important and significant people like Sir Francis Drake.

They will also be reading an exciting story all about a Tudor man and his adventures during the period. They will be using this knowledge to help them write a story of their own set in the Tudor period.

### Science

This half term we will be learning all about sound. We will be completing experiments to find out how sound is made, in what way it travels, how we understand it and what kinds of sounds are made.

So far we have already investigated what a sound is and how it travels, as well as inventing some very useful telephones which proved sound can travel through solids.



## Class Blogs and Website!

There is always something exciting and interesting to look at on the Harehills website. Don't forget to visit it to find out what's happening at school and in your child's class.

<http://www.harehills.leeds.sch.uk/>

## Learning outside school

There are many different ways for you to spend some time learning with your child. This is a great way to help them practice basic skills which they need in the classroom every day. Here are a few things you could be doing.

- ✓ **Listen to your child read or encourage them to read.** Children should be reading up to 4 times a week at home.
- ✓ **Practice times tables.** Children should be able to quick fire their times tables and begin to know some division facts,
- ✓ **Encourage them** to access the Mathematics website and complete challenges.