



Welcome to Year 4 Parent Coffee Morning



26th August 2026

Who are your child's key adults?

Year 4 Teachers and TAs



Mr Alex
Head of Year 4
4A Class Teacher



Ms Angela
4U Class
Teacher



Ms Trang
4A Teaching
Assistant



Ms Quynh
4U Teaching
Assistant

Who are your child's other key adults?



Ms Leanne
Head of EY & Primary



Mr Luke
Key Stage 2 Assistant Head
Designated Safeguarding Lead



Ms Rhona
EIP Teacher



Mr Chris
Cover Teacher



Ms Alex
Music



Ms Aimee
PE



Ms Courtney
PE



Mr Andy
Director of Sport



Mr Jamie
PE



Ms Jenny
Swimming



Mr Minh
Swimming



Mr Thanh
Swimming



Ms J
Librarian



Nurse Cris



Ms Celena
EY & Primary
Office Manager



Ms Huynh
Office

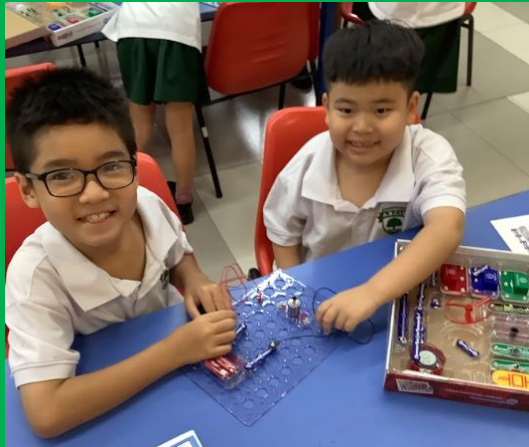


Ms Julie
Office

What Can You Expect in Year 4?

Year 4 is an exciting time as children begin their journey through Key Stage 2 with increased independence and growth. It is often a year in which children become more confident and responsible, both academically and socially as well as feeling their progress continue to improve.

Alongside engaging topics, memorable learning experiences and new opportunities to take on responsibility, Year 4 helps children build upon their learning from Year 3 and begin new and exciting challenges in their learning and extra-curricular opportunities.



What Will Your Child Learn This Year?

Core Subjects



English

Children will explore rich texts including Varmints, Ice Palace, The Butterfly Lion, The Iron Man and The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane. These inspiring texts will provide the stimulus for letters, descriptions, narratives, diary entries, newspaper reports and poetry, helping children develop as confident readers and writers.



Maths

Year 4 builds confidence and fluency across all areas of mathematics. Children will deepen their understanding of number, calculation, fractions, decimals, geometry, measure and statistics, while developing reasoning, problem-solving and mathematical thinking.



Science

Children will investigate the world around them through practical enquiry.

Topics include Electricity, Animals Including Humans, States of Matter, Living Things & Their Habitats and Sound, encouraging curiosity, investigation and scientific thinking.

Humanities & Languages

- **History** - Children will travel through time to explore Ancient Civilisations including where and when they took place. They will investigate historical sources and discover how these civilisations (such as the Ancient Greeks and Romans) have shaped the world we live in today.
- **Geography** - Children will deepen their understanding of the world by exploring coasts and how they are formed around the world and also explore how deserts can be found on almost every continent!
- **Vietnamese** - Children will continue to develop their Vietnamese language skills building confidence in speaking, listening, reading and writing while deepening their understanding of Vietnamese culture and everyday life.



Creative & Digital

- **Art** - Children will experiment with a wide range of artistic techniques through drawing, painting, printing, collage, sculpture and digital media. They will have many opportunities using different mediums to create imaginative and expressive artwork.
- **Design & Technology** - Children will become designers, engineers and chefs as they design, make and evaluate Ancient Greek clay pots, moving mechanisms and design and make their own healthy pizzas, developing creativity, practical skills and problem-solving throughout the year.
- **Music** - Children will learn to play the recorder, compose music using GarageBand, perform regularly through class assemblies and lunchtime concerts as well as the Christmas production.
- **Computing** - Children will develop their digital skills through data handling, artificial intelligence, computer networks, animation and augmented reality, while continuing to learn how to stay safe and responsible online.



Personal Development & PE

- **PSHE** - Children will develop the confidence, resilience and knowledge to thrive both in and beyond school. They will explore online safety, diversity, teamwork, wellbeing, healthy lifestyles and personal aspirations, helping them become kind, responsible and reflective members of the community.
- **Physical Education** - Children will develop teamwork, resilience and sporting skills through a wide range of different sports and activities such as football, tee ball, gymnastics, athletics, badminton and dance while learning the importance of fair play and an active lifestyle.
- **Swimming** - Children will continue to progress through our Swim Pathways programme, developing confidence, technique and stamina, before applying their skills through personal survival and water polo, while strengthening their understanding of water safety.



What Trips and Special Experiences Will Your Child Have?



Pizza Making Experience

As part of their Design & Technology learning, children will explore nutrition and the process of making traditional Italian pizzas. They will then have the opportunity to work with professional chefs and make their own pizzas in the kitchen.

Further information, including dates and arrangements, will be shared with parents closer to the time.

What Trips and Special Experiences Will Your Child Have?



Year 4 Residential – Ho Tram

One of the highlights of Year 4 is their first overnight residential to Ho Tram, where children develop independence, resilience and teamwork through exciting outdoor adventures. This year, we are delighted to be working with Asia Motions, who also deliver our Secondary expeditions. In response to parent feedback, a professional photographer will capture the experience, with regular photo updates shared through a secure parent portal. We hold a dedicated parent coffee morning closer to the trip to share all the exciting details and answer any questions.



What Trips and Special Experiences Will Your Child Have?



Supporting Learning at Home



Year 4 Curriculum Overview

Term 1 2026-27

Discover what your child will be learning this term.

English

Writing - Street Child and The Victorians

This term, we will use *Street Child* to inspire our writing. Children will write diary entries, letters and non-chronological reports while developing their grammar, punctuation, editing and proofreading skills. As they begin their final year of primary school, they will continue to grow as confident, independent writers.

Key Vocabulary: Workhouse, Pauper, Apprentice, Philanthropist, Destitution, Exploitation, Reform



Reading

As children begin Year 6, they will continue to deepen their reading comprehension through four guided reading lessons each week and a weekly library session. The focus will be on developing higher-order reading skills, including inference, explanation, prediction, summarising and evaluating an author's language and choices.



Spelling and Handwriting

Children will continue to develop accurate spelling and a fluent, legible handwriting style through three spelling lessons and two Letter-join handwriting lessons each week. As Year 6 pupils, they will further develop confidence and consistency when writing in pen. Weekly spellings will be sent home as part of homework to support regular practice.





Supporting Learning at Home

Useful websites, activities and ways to help your child.

Make Reading Part of Everyday Life
Encourage your child to read for pleasure, not just as part of their homework. Build reading into your daily routine and choose physical books wherever possible to develop a lifelong love of reading.

Show an interest in what they are reading by asking about the story, characters and what they think might happen next. Talking about books together is one of the best ways to develop confident, enthusiastic readers.



Useful Websites

English	Key Stage 2 English - Topmarks Search Activities for 9-12 years Words for Life
Maths	Key Stage 2 Maths - Topmarks Search Primary Students NRICH Times Tables Rock Stars
Science	Key Stage 2 Science - Topmarks Search
Humanities	National Geographic Kids
Computing	Scratch Code.org
Design	Tate Kids Chrome Music Lab
Learning	DK Learning

Use your child when accessing websites at home and encourage a balanced approach to screen time.

Support Spelling & Handwriting at Home

A few minutes of regular practice can make a big difference. Encourage your child to practise their weekly spelling words in different ways, such as saying, writing, covering and testing themselves, rather than simply copying them out.

Handwriting is also easy to practise at home. Spending just a few minutes writing neatly in pen, focusing on fluent, joined handwriting, will help develop confidence, speed and presentation across all subjects.



Look out for our new, improved Termly Curriculum Overviews, designed to give you a clear picture of what your child will be learning each term. We have also included a dedicated 'Supporting Learning at Home' page, packed with practical tips, useful websites and simple ways you can reinforce learning and encourage a love of learning at home.

A Few Helpful Reminders

 Homework is set every Friday and should be returned by Wednesday in your child's purple homework book.

 Google Classroom is used regularly to share learning, resources and occasional assignments. Please ensure your child has access to a computer or device at home.

 A copy of the weekly timetable is included inside homework books to help remember PE and swimming days.

 If your child is finding homework challenging, please encourage them to speak to their teacher as soon as possible.

 Medication must be given directly to the School Nurse with a completed medication form, available on the school website.

 Birthdays are celebrated on Fridays. Please contact your child's teacher at least one week in advance if you would like to arrange a class celebration.

 Celebrate Success! We love hearing about our children's achievements outside of school. Whether it is sport, music, performing arts, languages or another accomplishment, please do share it with us—we enjoy celebrating these successes with the wider school community.

 Need to contact us? Please contact the School Office at office@theabcis.com , or email your child's class teacher directly: alexcondon@theabcis.com or angelaubaldo@theabcis.com. We are always happy to help.

Your Questions

Q: I would like to know the overall curriculum for the 4th-grade courses.

A: Termly Overviews will be sent out towards the beginning of each Term outlining the entire curriculum