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To develop the whole child; spiritually, mentally and physically in a caring, Christian environment through close links to Church and community.

January 2026

Dear Parents/Carers and Year 4 children,

Happy New Year! We hope you have all had a lovely Christmas holiday and that your children are refreshed and ready for their learning.

Daily / Weekly Routines:

- From 8:45am each morning a member of staff is on duty out in the playground. The whistle will be blown for the children to line up and children will be taken into their classes by their class teacher. The bell will sound at 8:50am to signal the start of the day.
- Once inside the classroom, the children should quickly sort out their belongings before settling down to a short morning activity.
- The children will attend a daily worship in the school hall or at church.
- Our PE day is **Friday** with swimming taking place on **Tuesday (until half-term)**. Therefore, on PE days children should come to school wearing shorts, a blue St. Anne's t-shirt (no football shirts please) and pumps or trainers. In cooler weather, please provide your child with a navy/black tracksuit (no logos) for outdoor PE. *See website for further details.* For swimming, children should come in their normal school uniform with their swimming costume and towel in their bag.

Please note that for health and safety reasons children must remove all jewellery for PE sessions. This includes stud earrings so it is advisable for your child to avoid wearing earrings to school on PE days.

Personal Belongings:

- The children will need to bring a filled water bottle each day that goes home to be washed each day (juice drink is only allowed at lunchtime). Please ensure that water bottles are labelled with your child's name.
- A healthy snack can be brought for break time. No nuts - we are a nut free school.
- Please ensure that **all items of clothing are named** including PE kits and jumpers/cardigans.
- Reading books and reading records will be needed in school every day. They will be used within the classroom for daily reading.

All other equipment will be provided by school so please do not send your child in with any extra items from home such as pencil cases.

Reading

- At St Anne's, we really value the power of reading and how reading will help them to 'magpie' new vocabulary, figurative language and story ideas, to become a confident and skilled writer.
- Remarkable Readers: A remarkable reader is a child who reads at least **4 times a week at home**. Children who achieve this over five weeks of the half term will participate in a special treat in school.
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Homework

- Learning Log tasks – These are linked to our topic area and will be issued at the start of each term in the form of a menu. There is an expectation that *three tasks are completed per half term*. Learning log tasks allow the children to make choices about the direction of their learning and how they want to present it – Your child will have a menu to stick into their learning log book.
- Spellings – Are sent home for the half term. If lost, please find ,look on the class page for a further copy. On occasions, your child will be asked to learn tricky words which do not easily follow a spelling rule/pattern. These words and spelling patterns are taken from the National Curriculum. Spelling tests take place on a Friday morning in Year 4.
- Maths - A piece of maths homework will be set every Friday for Year 4, consolidating an aspect of maths covered during the week. These are to be completed in yellow maths homework books.
- Times tables- at the end of year 4, the children will complete a statutory times tables test. Therefore, it is imperative that children are practicing their times tables on TT Rockstars at least 3 times per week at home. There will be a meeting date sent out in January to provide further information regarding the test.

If you have any questions please come and speak to us.

Thank you for your continued support,

Miss Broughton and Mrs Sprigg

Year 4 – Spring Term 2025
Topic this term: - Anglo-Saxons and Vikings

Focus text/book	Loki-A bad god's guide to being good The land of roar How to be a Viking How to train your dragon Beowulf Arthur and the Golden Rope	
Main Focus	History	
English	Kenning poetry Narrative Explanation Newspaper	
Maths	Multiplication & Division, Length and Perimeter, Fractions, Decimals	
Science	Electricity States of Matter	
History	Britain's settlement by Anglo-Saxons and Scots. The Viking and Anglo-Saxon struggle for the Kingdom of England to the time of Edward the Confessor	
Computing	Programming A- repetition in shapes Data and information- Data logging	
Art	Repeated patterns (tessellation)	
PE	Dance Gymnastics Swimming OAA	
Music	Recorders (Provided by school)	
RE Red – Values	Forgiveness	Acceptance
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How do people express their religious and spiritual ideas on pilgrimages?(4.2) • Islam, Hinduism, Christianity, Non-religious world views 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What kind of world did Jesus want? • (Gospe)l (2a.4) • (Salvation (KS2a.5) Digging deeper)
PSHE	Being Me in My World	Celebrating Difference
MFL French Language Angels	In the Classroom	At the tearoom
DT	Mechanical systems- lever and linkages, making a moving picture book (Spring 2)	