

Year 4 Newsletter 2025-2026

Introduction and welcome

Welcome to Year 4! The year 4 classes are Cherry (Miss Reis) and Maple (Mr Bunch). Supporting across the year group are Mrs Dawson and Mrs Christie. Our phase leader is Mr Roberts.



Mrs Christie



Mrs Dawson



Mr Bunch



Miss Reis



Home school communication

There are opportunities to speak to your child's class teacher after school on the playground at the end of the school day. Please also do feel free to pass on brief messages in the morning. If a longer discussion is required, please contact the office team who will arrange for your child's teacher to phone you. We do ask that parents do not email teachers directly. Teachers and the senior leadership team can be contacted via email using admin@weeke.hants.sch.uk

We look forward to be able to invite parents in for curriculum events throughout the year.

Timetable Information

We have PPA (planning, preparation and assessment) time on a Thursday afternoon. Mrs Cajales, Miss O'Brien and Miss Marchment will teach across the two classes on that afternoon. In year 4 P.E. is taught on a Monday afternoon (outside) and Wednesday afternoon (indoor). Please ensure your child has their P.E. kit in school every Monday and they can bring it home on a Friday if it needs a wash.

Forest School

Groups of children from year 4 will be taking part in forest school activities on Monday afternoons; you will be informed nearer the time when your child is taking part in these sessions.

Behaviour

We are proud of the good behavior in our school and work alongside our families to promote our school values of respect, responsibility, kindness and excellence. Our behaviour policy, which is based on our school values, is available on our school website – [Weeke Primary School - Policies](#)

We also award Dojos for exemplary work and behaviour. Dojos are popular incentives and are earned throughout the week. Each half term, the children aim to earn an agreed number of Dojos in order to be rewarded with a class treat.

Home learning

Home learning is optional.

In year 4, weekly spellings and times tables will be available for children to practice at home. We also expect children to read daily. On Google Classroom we will add links to a variety of times tables websites as well as Times Tables Rockstars.

Reading

Library visit – Tuesday AM

During these visits, the children will be able to choose one book which they will be able to take home. If your child is working on the school reading scheme, they will be heard by an adult during the week. If your child is reading their own choice of text, they will be heard less regularly. During the school day, however, we regularly hear children read their work aloud. First thing in the morning and straight after lunch, the children settle by reading silently.

Children also have access to e-books through the Hampshire Library Service and the SORA app. Please refer to the relevant page of our school website (link below) for further information, if your child hasn't yet accessed this facility.

[Weeke Primary School - School Library](#)

Reading a book and chatting about it has a positive impact on your child's ability to:

- understand words and sentences
- use a wide range of vocabulary
- develop listening comprehension skills

A love of reading is the biggest indicator of future academic success!

Attendance

One of the most important ways in which you can support children's learning and education is by ensuring they attend school as regularly as possible. If you're not sure whether you should send your child in, please don't hesitate to contact us or check our website for more information: [Weeke Primary School - Attendance](#)

At Weeke Primary School, we have a strong ethos and emphasis on attendance and punctuality. We know from experience and research that ensuring a child's attendance is kept high supports their education, well-being and future success. Attendance really does matter.

Curriculum Overview

Updated curriculum overviews which accompany this newsletter will also be saved on the school website - [Weeke Primary School - Year 4 Maple & Cherry](#)

Helping in school

We welcome parent/carer helpers in school. If you are able to come in to school on a regular basis, even for just an hour per week to support children's learning in class or listen to readers, we would be very grateful. Please contact the school office adminoffice@weeke.hants.sch.uk or speak to your child's class teacher. All volunteers will need to be DBS checked.

Uniform

Children should wear Weeke Primary School uniform, as detailed on our school website: [Weeke Primary School - Uniform Information](#)

Please note that only plain hair accessories only may be worn. Large bows or bright coloured ribbons woven into braids are not acceptable hair accessories. Hoodies are not school uniform and should not be worn to school.

PE

Please remember that PE kits are part of school uniform. PE t-shirts do not have to be branded, but do need to be in your child's correct house team colour.

PE kits need to be kept in school.

Playtimes and Lunchtimes

Please ensure your child has a coat or light waterproof at school with them every day. Children do continue to play outside in the rain.

We ask that children who choose to bring their own snack from home, only bring in fruit, vegetables, plain bread rolls, rice cakes or similar. Crisps or biscuits are not appropriate play time snacks. For sugar swap suggestions, please refer to <https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/food-facts/sugar/sugar-swaps-for-kids#snack-swaps>

Break time snacks are not currently available to buy from the kitchen but this will be reviewed at half term.

Nuts or nut products (e.g. Nutella, peanut butter, nut bars) should not be brought in to school as snacks or in lunchboxes as we have a number of children who have a severe allergy to tree nuts and peanuts.

Collection from school

Children in years 3 and 4 need to be collected from school by an adult. Once children are in years 5 and 6, they are able to travel home independently. If your child will be walking home with an older sibling, please contact the school via email to give your consent for this.

Birthdays

We ask that sweets or cakes are not brought in to school as we have a number of children with food allergies and intolerances.

Dress up days and unwanted outfits

We would love your good quality used / unwanted dress up outfits for our themed days in school. Please pass to your child's class teacher.

Keeping up to date

It is vital that the school office has your up to date contact details. Please 'like' our school Facebook page, the WPSA page and check the fortnightly 'In The News' for school news.

- Newsletters are available via our website: [Weeke Primary School - Letters & Communications](#)
- The calendar is available here: [Weeke Primary School - Calendar](#)

Joining our school

Do you know someone who is interested in their child joining our school? See our information on open days: [Weeke Primary School - 2025-2026 Open Days](#)