

Class Newsletter

AUTUMN TERM 2026

Welcome to Rocket Class!

...And welcome to Year 4! Mrs Hobbs, our new class TA, and I are looking forward to a fantastic first term, getting to know the class and enjoying lots of exciting learning. Our topic this half term is Rivers. In Geography, we will learn about rivers and the journey they make. Towards the end of the unit, we will walk to the Blackbourn River to carry out some fieldwork.

In English, we will use 'The River' to inspire our own storm poems. River-themed homework activities will be sent home soon. After half term, we will begin Groovy Greeks, learning where the Ancient Greeks fit into history and exploring Greek culture, beliefs and myths. We will compare Greek myths before writing our own in English.

In Maths, we will focus on numbers up to 10,000, learning to order, compare and calculate with them. Times tables remain a key focus, and we aim to secure recall of all facts up to 12×12 . Please encourage your child to use TT Rockstars regularly. We will continue with fortnightly Mighty Maths Purple tests, covering the 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8 and 10 times tables. The aim is to improve scores and build confidence.

We will be swimming at Stowmarket Leisure Centre on Tuesday mornings this term, returning for lunch. Children will need a swimsuit, towel and swimming hat, and may wear goggles if they wish. Jewellery is not permitted, and earrings must be removed.

Spelling home learning will be sent home on Fridays and returned the following Thursday.

If you have any questions or concerns, please catch me after school or contact me via Class Dojo. I will be very happy to help.

Mr Kerry

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Learn, believe, achieve: hand in hand with God and each other