



Year 4 Autumn Term 2025

Welcome to Autumn Term 2025!

At Plat Douet Primary School every learner is entitled to a curriculum rich and varied, challenging and inspiring, which enables every individual to reach their fullest potential to the highest possible standard and allow all pupils to 'be the best they can be'.

During this term we will be learning through the following curriculum areas:

English

English this year will be structured in learning journeys, each inspired by a different high-quality text. This term we will be looking at *The Tin Forest* by Helen Ward, *Ocean Meets Sky* by The Fan Brothers, *Down Behind the Dustbin* by Michael Rosen and *World's Coolest Jobs* by Anna Brett. Within these learning journeys, children will be discussing features of the texts, using dramatic devices for deeper exploration and writing in a range of genres, including descriptions, explanation texts, narratives and poems.

Maths

In Maths this year we will continue to develop the children's understanding of mathematical concepts. This term we will therefore be looking at place value, addition and subtraction (up to 4-digit numbers), multiplication and division (to 12×12), and present and analyse data in the form of graphs. The aim is that the children will develop fluency and then mastery of these concepts, including being able to tackle problems and reason their understanding.

Science

We will be learning about Living Things and Their Habitats and Animals including Humans. We will be learning about classification of animals, classification keys, food chains, the digestive system and teeth.

Vocabulary - classification, classification key, environment, hibernation, habitat, migration, positive, negative, molar, incisor, pre-molar, canines, oesophagus, stomach, small and large intestine, liver, pancreas, anus, rectum, tongue, bowels

Topic

This term our History topic is a study of the Vikings. We will be learning about how life was in Viking times, what their living situation was like and compare them with other historical cultures such as the romans.

In Geography we will be learning about Liverpool. We will be learning about the characteristics of a city, using maps, learning about the human and physical characteristics and reading co-ordinates. We will also research influential people linked to Liverpool.

Physical Education

This half-term we will be learning about Physical Literacy, Throwing & Catching through dodgeball and tchoukball. Next half-term we will be learning table tennis, with an emphasis on solid technique through challenges and skill games. Children will then focus on team games and fitness, playing tag-based games to develop strategy and tactics. The children will be taught by Mr Newton and Mr Catney.

Year 4 will have PE/Dance on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

RE and Emotional Health

In RE we will be learning about Buddhism. In Emotional Health we will be looking at the following topics; "My Emotions", "My Relationships" and "My Community".

Music

Music will be taught by our Music teacher, Mrs Arnett. This term's focus will look at music from the Middle Ages and its role in society. There will also be a topic on links between classical and pop music as well as preparing Christmas repertoire nearer the end of term. Mrs Cook's class will be learning the French Horn (Miss Fell's class will do so later in the year).

Computing

As well as using IT through other subjects, we will be learning about debugging and events, creating stop motion animation and word processing skills.

Art

Art will be taught by our Art teacher Mrs Hopley. The focus for Autumn term is Viking drawing and Collage art and artwork inspired by Claude Monet.

French

The children will continue to develop their knowledge of the French language this year. The school uses the Salut Jersey Programme, these lessons will be taught by Mrs Morrison.

Homework

Reading: Please encourage your child to read for a minimum of 15 minutes daily. They can read aloud to you, read independently, or a combination of both. Please check at home for any Year 3 books we may be missing.

Maths: Your child will continue using Timestable Rockstars for personalised maths homework. They should log in and complete activities for at least 15 minutes, three times a week. We'll check their progress continuously. If your child encounters any issues accessing the Timestable Rockstars website, please contact their teacher.

Spelling: Children will receive a half-termly spelling list based on statutory spelling words, which they will be tested on each week. These will be emailed each half-term (starting 12.09.25),



Important Dates to Remember

Please check Facebook and InTouch emails for any updates or upcoming events. We will give you as much notice as we can.

Please contact the office if you would like to check or update your email address.

We work an open-door policy and should you have any queries or concerns please do not hesitate to speak to us about them either at the end of the day or via email.

Thank you,

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