

Year 3/4 Curriculum Newsletter

Autumn Term 2026

What will we be learning?

English	Driven by Ted Hughes', 'The Iron Man', the children will write a suspenseful narrative as a mysterious threat draws near..They will also compose set of instructions on how to capture a dangerous creature.
Maths	Year 3 will master place value up to 1,000 and practice adding and subtracting 3-digit numbers with regrouping (crossing tens and hundreds). Year 4 children will master place value up to 10,000 before moving on to adding and subtracting 4-digit numbers that require multiple exchanges.
Science	
History/ Geography	
Art	The children will sketch The Iron Man, build a 3D model of him using papier-mâché, and add the final touches using various finishing techniques.
Computing and Online Safety	
Religious Education	The big question: "What is special about being human?" The children will investigate what defines humanity, what is meant by "spirituality," and the concept of the soul.
Music	The children will discover how to tell stories through music, use instruments to produce dramatic story sound effects.
French	
Personal Development	The children will design their dream school. explore how rewards and consequences support a positive environment, and create a learning charter.
Physical Education	The children will be developing communication, teamwork, and problem-solving through physical activity, and develop their fundamental skills and tactical awareness through no-tackle football.

Key dates...

Tuesday 8th September– all children return to school

Tuesday 15th and Wednesday 16th September - Y3/4 Murton Park

Wednesday 30th September - Choir performance at Cottingham Civic Hall

Thursday 1st October - Y4 Parent MTC Meeting

Friday 2nd October - Musical Theatre Day

Friday 9th October - Harvest Festival

Monday 19th October - Parents Evening

Wednesday 21st October - Parents Evening

Thursday 22nd October - Friends Disco

Friday 23rd October - end of term.



Ideas to support learning at home...

- **Read regularly and talk about it.**
 - Encourage your child to do 10–20 minutes of reading most days.
 - Discuss any tricky vocabulary, to ensure they understand what they are reading.
 - Ask questions about what they have read, including questions such as, 'Why do you think that character did that?' 'What do you think will happen next?'
 - Continue to read to your child to expose them to a wider range of books that they may not be able to read themselves.
- **Keep maths skills fresh:**
 - Practise and consolidate addition and subtraction facts to and within 20 - using Numbots for 20–30 minutes a week on Story Mode.
 - Y4 children - children should aim for 21 minutes per week on Times Tables Rock Stars (Garage Mode).
 - Teach your child to tell the time using a clock with hands, as well as digital.
- **Encourage independence:**
 - Let them be responsible for packing their own school bag or putting their PE kit out the night before. ask them to think about what they think they will need, rather than telling them.
 - ensure they can tie their own shoe laces.