

Year 4 Update

Friday 25th September 2026

RE

This week we looked at the life and work of Cardinal Henry Manning. The children thought about ways in which Cardinal Manning dedicated his life to God and how his faith inspired others.

Pre-Teaching:

We will be thinking about what it means to pray. We will consider how we can be more like Abraham and talk to God in our prayers.

Scripture reference: Abraham and Isaac (Genesis 22:1-18)

English

We have been getting our graphic novel passages 'reader-ready'. The children shared their work with a partner and gave each other feedback. The children had to ensure Arthur's mission and setting were clear to their audience and that they had included captions and speech bubbles.

Pre-teaching:

The children will choose a scene to turn into a narrative and include correctly punctuated dialogue. We will begin our new persuasive text 'The King who banned the dark'.

Maths

We have been rounding numbers to the nearest 10, 100 and 1000. The children learnt a rhyme to help them remember which numbers need to be rounded up or down. They also looked carefully at which place value digit determines that result.

Pre-Teaching:

Next week, we will be looking at different mental strategies for addition including estimating and regrouping.

Science

We went on a 'bird hunt' in order to spot the similarities and differences between the species. The children patiently listened to and spotted live birds in our location.

Pre-Teaching:

Looking at habitats and seasonal changes that occur which impact different species.

Key Vocabulary

RE	English	Maths	Science
Forgiveness Isaac Abraham Sarah Old Testament	Graphic novel Panels Speech bubbles Direct speech Inverted comma Reporting clause Entertain Character Edit	Addition Estimate Thousands Hundreds Tens Ones	Living things Classification key Habitats Seasonal change

Homework: all homework has been handed out as a hard copy and will move to Teams in the coming weeks.

Rosary	The First Luminous mystery. Due: Tuesday 29 th September
Maths	My Maths Due: Tuesday 29 th September
Spelling	'air' sound Due: Monday 28 th September

Dates for your diary:

Tuesday 13 th October	Grandparents/ Senior Citizen Afternoon of entertainment - 2pm – 3.30pm.
Monday 19 th October	Year 4 assembly for parents/carers 9.15am

- Please ensure that your child has a named Berol handwriting pen in school.
- All PE kit must be in school. Children will not be able to take part in PE lessons without the correct uniform. Trainers must be worn for Outdoor PE sessions with WFC on Wednesdays.
- TEAMS – Please be aware that the TEAMS issue is being investigated and will be resolved ASAP. In the meantime, Rosary homework is being sent as paper copies.

Have a lovely weekend,

Catherine, Emma & Rachel.