Welcome to Year 4

September 2026

Academic Year 2026-2027

The Adults

Your Class Teacher in Year 6 is
MRS DRAPER

Your Class LSA in Year 6 is
MRS MOON

About Us

MRS DRAPER

- I qualified in 2012 and have worked as an UKS2 teacher since – 5 years in year 6, 9 years in year 5. This is my first time in year 4!
- I enjoy spending weekends with my family and love going to the theatre!
- My children are my inspiration and I am so proud of their achievements. I teach, telling myself that if it isn't good enough for them - then is isn't good enough. I work hard for my children and will do the same for yours!
- I LOVE my job! I have high expectations, I WILL push your children so that they are the best they can be, whilst building a caring relationship built on respect.
- I am really looking forward to teaching this year and seeing what your amazing children can do and how far we can go together!

Our Expectations

- In year four we have a fabulous curriculum, adventurous but ambitious!
- Children will feel uncomfortable when learning new things that they don't understand – THIS IS NORMAL – if they are not challenged they are not learning anything new. HOWEVER, the adults are here to get them through!
- To prepare children for this year and beyond, we set a range of homework, which we expect is completed on time – please see homework slide for more information.
- PE is on a Tuesday and a Wednesday, and a full, named school PE kit is required. On Tuesday, the children should bring their kit in and on Wednesday, they can wear their kit to school. Please see website for kit expectations.
- Please do not buy your child a pencil case for school. In the past, we have found them more of a distraction as they were getting bigger and with more fandangley features! Everything your child needs will be provided for them.
- No squishies or fiddle toys are permitted unless Mr. Neal has informed us otherwise.

Our School Week

St. Nicholas at Wade Primary School

♦ Year 4 Timetable 2026-27 ♦

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY (PPA)	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
8.35-8.45	Reading and Quizzes	Spelling	Reading and Quizzes	Spelling	Reading & Quizzes
8.45-9.20	Collective Worship	Guided Reading	French	Guided Reading	Guided Reading
9.20-10.45	Guided Reading	Spelling - Definitions	Arithmetic	Spelling Practise	Spelling Test
	English	English	Music	English	English
10.45-11.00	B	R	E	A	K
11.00-12.00	Maths	Maths	PE	Maths	Maths
12.00-1.00	L	U	N	C	H
1.00-2.00	Topic	PE	Maths Arithmetic	Topic	RE
			Heartsmart/Thrive Time		
2.00-3.00		Computing	English		Library Visit
		Collective Worship - Mr Russell			Collective Worship Celebration
3.00-3.15	Class Book		Class Worship	Singing Worship	

Times Table Check

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Homework

READING

It is expected that the children read **every night for at least 20-30 minutes**. The children will be given a reading record card and their reading will be monitored through their use of Accelerated Reader. Please follow this link for more information about Accelerated Reader for parents: https://help.renlearn.co.uk/AR/ARParentGuide

SPELLING

Spellings will be taught in class on a Tuesday and the children will complete activities throughout the week. These spellings will be set each Monday – we will stick them into the children's homework diary.

TIMES TABLES

Children should practise their times tables **at least three times a week for 5-10 minutes**, Times Tables Rock Stars is a great resource that the school have signed up for – please take advantage of it! Throughout the year, we will be having ROCKSTARS competitions, where the children will have the opportunity to dress up and compete in their year groups. https://ttrockstars.com/

Homework

MATHS

Children should complete their MyMaths each week. This will be set on a Monday and due in on the following Monday.

TOPIC PROJECTS

Termly homework to complement our topic every term – children have around 6 weeks to complete this and we expect that it demonstrates a few hours worth of work. Our first topic this year is 'Stargazers' and homework ideas can be found at the bottom of the 'Home Learning' folder on the class page. During the year I will update the Topic tabs with homework suggestions.

**If you do not have access to a computer, the children CAN use the computers in the classroom during lunchtime – this is NOT an excuse for homework not to be completed.

Lunch, Snacks and Water

Healthy lunch boxes are A MUST!

Fresh fruit can be brought in as a snack for break times.

Water (no squash) is allowed in the classroom but will be kept in the sink area to avoid spillages on the table.

Trips

To complement our learning, we would like to give the children as many different experiences as possible. I'd like to thank you for your continued support with school trips and adult help that is offered.

Below are this year's topics– not all have trips; some have visits and some have hook days.

Term 1 – Burps, Bottoms and Bile – Dentist Visit (BOOKED)

Term 2 – Mighty Metals – Playground Visit

Term 3 – I Am Warrior – Canterbury Roman Museum

Term 4 – Predator – Monkton Nature Reserve

Term 5 – Tremors

Term 6 – Tribal Tales

General Reminders

Uniform

We are almost at the top of the school now and are therefore role models to the younger children. Please ensure you look smart when entering and leaving school (shirts tucked in, collars done up etc.). NO jewellery is allowed except from small stud earrings.

All children must wear their hair up if it is longer than shoulder length – this is school policy and is not only for health and safety reasons but also because it can be a distraction. NO JEWELLERY except a small set of studs or smaller sleepers.

Names in clothes

Please ensure that your child's uniform is named. Despite being in year 5, we do still have uniform that seems to sprout legs during PE!! Lateness – Please note the school day officially starts at 8.55: we run groups and catch up sessions in the first 15-20 minutes of the day, so it is really important your child is here on time.

Home time

Children will be brought out the playground as normal, please arrive promptly to collect by 3.15, your children will be dismissed near the sheltered area. If you give your permission for your child to walk home, please let the office know.

Appointments

If you need to speak to me about any concerns or your child's progress, please make an appointment via the office.

Questions

Please see me after or if you want to make an appointment please do this via the office.

Thank you for listening!