



Malpas Alport  
Primary School

# Welcome to Year 3/4

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**Sycamore – Mr Jardine**

**Ash – Mrs Rogers**

**Willow – Mr Hobbs**

# Contacts

Should you need to contact your class teacher, please use their class email address and they will aim to get back to you as soon as possible.

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# Our Topics In Year 3/4

Each year we engage with three topics that shape our learning and engagement with the curriculum.

Here are our topics over a two year cycle.

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Cycle A	'Let me entertain you'	'Escape from Pompeii'	'Rainforests'
Key Text/s	<p>Gorilla by Anthony Browne</p>  <p>Leon and the place between by Graham Baker-Smith</p> 	<p>Escape From Pompeii by Christina Balit</p>  <p>When the Giant stirred by Celia Godkin</p> 	<p>Where the Forest Meets the Sea by Jeannie Baker &amp; Rainforests in 30 Seconds by Jen Green</p>  <p>Blue John by Berlie Doherty</p> 

	'Water, water everywhere'	'Stones and Bones'	'Voyages and discoveries'
Cycle B			
Key Text/s	<p>Seal Surfer by Michael Foreman</p>  <p>Winter's Child by Angela McAllister</p> 	<p>Stone Age Boy by Satoshi Kitamura</p> <p>Big Blue Whale by Nicola Davies</p> 	<p>Journey by Aaron Becker</p>  <p>Zeraffa Giraffa by Dianne Hofmeyr</p> 

# Homework

Homework is a vital part of support your child at home and helping to reinforce the learning taking place in school. Within Year 3 and 4, your child will have a number of different elements of homework to engage with.

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They are:

- MyMaths
- Times Tables Rockstars
- Maths target cards
- Strive For 5 reading
- Weekly Spellings





## Word list – years 3 and 4

## Statutory Spelling List

accident(ally)	early	knowledge	purpose
actual(ly)	earth	learn	quarter
address	eight/eighth	length	question
answer	enough	library	recent
appear	exercise	material	regular
arrive	experience	medicine	reign
believe	experiment	mention	remember
bicycle	extreme	minute	sentence
breath	famous	natural	separate
breathe	favourite	naughty	special
build	February	notice	straight
busy/business	forward(s)	occasion(ally)	strange
calendar	fruit	often	strength
caught	grammar	opposite	suppose
centre	group	ordinary	surprise
century	guard	particular	therefore
certain	guide	peculiar	though/although
circle	heard	perhaps	thought
complete	heart	popular	through
consider	height	position	various
continue	history	possess(ion)	weight
decide	imagine	possible	woman/women
describe	increase	potatoes	
different	important	pressure	

**The spellings are tailored to support your child in reviewing words from Key Stage 1 and familiarising them with words from Key Stage 2.**

**These spellings will form part of your child's weekly spelling list alongside words from our topic and other areas of our learning in school.**

**Maths Target Cards are used in Key Stage 2 as a way for parents to practise these at home with their child.**

In school, we test the children using a weekly times table challenge grid like this one.

**These are available on the school website  
on your child's class page.**

A National Curriculum expectation is that by the end of Year 4, your child knows all of their times tables up to and including their 12's.  
They will have a Times Table external assessment.

## Times Table Challenge

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Score \_\_\_\_\_

Time \_\_\_\_\_ Test Number: 1

[illegible]



Race To The Frozen North	Catherine Johnson	
The Apprentice Witch	James Nicol	
A Child Of Books	Oliver Jeffers	
Oliver And The SeaWigs	Philip Reeve	
13 Story Tree House	Andy Griffiths	
Ottoline	Chris Riddell	
The Wild Robot	Peter Brown	
Defenders: Dark Arena	Tom Palmer	
Max & The Millions	Ross Montgomery	
My Brother Is A Superhero	David Solomons	
Cliff Hanger	Jacqueline Wilson	
Tales Of Olga Da Polga	Michael Bond	
Tom's Midnight Garden	Phillipa Pearce	
Krindlekrax	Philip Ridley	
Tin Tin: The Black Island	Hergé	
Journey To The River Sea	Eva Ibbotson	
Harry Potter And The Philosopher's Stone	J.K. Rowling	

[www.booktrust.org.uk](http://www.booktrust.org.uk) is a great site to use to read the blurbs of some of the books.



List C

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

### 50 books to read

Here is a list full of great texts for you to read including classic novels and some debuts by brilliant authors. Lots of the books are the first in a series you can get hooked on a certain character or setting and read sequel after sequel.

This list is not a challenge - these are great recommendations for books to read. Work your way through them over the year and enjoy reading!!

**These are 50 highly recommended books for your child to take home. They can read them by themselves or have them read to them at bedtime by a parent.**



## High expectations

Within Year 3 and 4 we set high expectations towards both the social and academic sides of learning.

Academically we encourage children to always push themselves to be the best that they can be within all subjects.

Taking pride in the quality of content and presentation of our work is also important and this is no clearer than within our topic books that are aimed at showcasing your child's best work.

Working closely with our learning powers in school helps us all to strive towards these expectations each day.





Each class works closely with our four key learning powers to help us recognise the ways in which we can be the best that we can be each day.

Our learning powers are:

Resilience  
Reciprocity  
Resourcefulness  
Reflective





## Rewards and Sanctions

### Ready, Respectful, Safe



Monster points

Class prizes

Marble treats

Merits

Star of the Week

Loss of part or all of  
break time to consider  
choices being made or to  
complete work





## **PE Kit**

- **White T shirt**
- **Navy/black shorts**
- **Tracksuit bottoms**
- **Socks**



- **P.E. will be on Tuesday and children must come to school in their PE kit. We also currently have cricket on a Monday up until the end of this half term.**

**Your child will also need to come to school in their PE kit on these days.**

**Please contact your child's class teacher  
using the email provided should you have any  
questions.**

**Many thanks for your continued support.**



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