

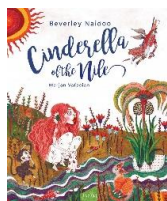
# Year 4 Newsletter

## Autumn 2

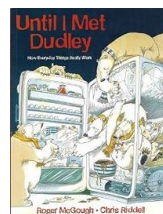


Core text(s) for English and Reading

**Cinderella of the Nile**  
Author: Marjan Vafaeian



**Until I met Dudley**  
Author: Roger McGough



Reading for pleasure

**Vetman and his Bionic Animal Clan**  
Noel Fitzpatrick

Focus areas for English/outcomes

Identifying the subject and verb within sentences  
Identifying different word classes within sentences  
Choosing vocabulary for effect  
Creating your own alternative events  
Identifying different versions of stories  
Extending range of sentences used, with more than one clause and using a wide range of conjunctions (subordinating and co-ordinating)  
Narrative: writing a speech

Grammar focus

Expanded noun phrases, adjectives, nouns and determiners  
Fronted adverbials  
Subordinating and co-ordinating conjunctions  
Spelling year 3 and 4 words correctly

Maths focus areas




**Area:** Identify area is the space within an enclosed shape; identify misconceptions when counting squares; identify the difference between regular and irregular shapes.  
**Multiplication and Division:** Understanding and applying efficient methods to multiply and divide; increase our fluency and accuracy of our times tables; identify patterns and relationships between different times tables.



Foundation subjects

**History:** Identify the importance of the River Nile; identify what everyday life was like in Ancient Egypt; understand the importance of religion to Ancient Egyptians.  
**Science:** Identify the different components needed to create a circuit; identify the symbols for each component to draw a circuit; understand how a complete circuit can be made; identify the difference between a series and parallel circuit.  
**Computing:** Computing systems and networks; sharing information; websites; ownership.  
**Music:** Unit of work based on timeless pop songs, focusing on Mamma Mia  
**DT:** Making a torch (linked with our Science topic of circuits)  
**PSHE:** Relationships. Positive friendships; communication; behaviours.

PE day (and kit expectations)	<p>Your child's PE day will be on a Wednesday. Your child should wear their PE kit to school, with their school jumper on top. The PE kit should consist of a pale blue T-shirt or polo shirt, navy plain bottoms and plimsolls/trainers. The school has to teach the National Curriculum and PE is a vital element of this. Participating regularly in physical activity is important to develop habits for a healthy adult life.</p> <p>A link to PE kit and uniform can be found here: <a href="https://www.kenleyprimary.org.uk/pe-kit-and-uniform">Kenley-Primary-Uniform-List-Updated-.pdf (kenleyprimary.org.uk)</a></p> <p>Children will continue swimming on a Thursday afternoon. Children must bring in their swimming kits, hat, goggles and towel in a bag on this day.</p>
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Key Dates	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> November: Parents' Evenings
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<p>Ways to help at home</p>   	<p>Please listen to your child read regularly and discuss the text they are reading. As their books become more complex, it is even more important they have the chance to discuss them with an adult. Please sign the reading record book and make a comment. Please encourage your child to learn their 'spelling words': a few minutes practice each day can make a big difference.</p> <p>By Summer, your child is expected to have mastered their times tables, but they need regular practice to retain the information. Your child will have their own account and password for 'Times Tables Rockstars'. It is important that they are able to recall number facts at speed to aid them with their daily maths work. If they are not yet confident, this is a vital area to work on with them.</p> <p>Your child will also have assignments set on <b>Splashlearn</b>. This is a maths website that they have access to at school and at home. The website is available at <a href="https://uk.splashlearn.com/signin#/parent">https://uk.splashlearn.com/signin#/parent</a> and numeracy games can be played from any computer with internet access. It is linked to the national curriculum objectives for your child's year and there are games set to also revise key knowledge and skills. Your child will be able to practise core skills in a fun and exciting way. For more information, please feel free to ask any questions.</p>
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