

Learning for this term:	
English	We will learn about wild animals in Britain to help us write a non-chronological report. We will then read the book ‘Leaf’ by Sandra Dieckmann and write diary entries as the main character.
Maths	We will be reviewing our knowledge of place value. We will also use formal written methods for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.
Science	We will explore food chains and look at branching diagrams to classify animals. Then we will be exploring sound by learning about pitch, volume, vibrations and how sound travels.
Geography	We will be learning about the modern-day countries which were once part of the Roman Empire. We will also be leaning about how mountains and volcanoes are formed.
History	Our topic is all about the spread of the Roman Empire. We will focus on the Roman Army and the legacy of Boudicca.
Religion & Worldviews	In the first half term, we will be learning about Sikhism. In the second half term, we will be learning about the Christian faith.
Computing	We will be learning about common commands of Logo programming and developing our ability to compose algorithms. We will also be learning about Online Safety.
Music	We will be composing a march using the pentatonic scale and learning about time signatures.
PE	In dance, we will be creating movement sequences. In gymnastics, we will be exploring balancing and rotation. We will be learning how to stay safe in and around water.
RHE/PSHE	Our learning will be all about our relationships with others and valuing each other’s differences.
Art/D&T	In art, we will be studying the work of Georgia O’ Keeffe and will explore her style of artwork. In D&T, we will be applying our science skills to create electrical circuits for a game.

## We will be reading:



## We are planning the following activities:

- A trip to the British Wildlife centre on Monday 29th September.
- 4TM will be swimming on a Tuesday afternoon. 4SM and 4IS will be swimming in future terms.
- A Christmas Carol Concert to parents/carers
- Making string telephones
- Visiting the Sikh Gurdwara in West Green

## You can help at home by:

- Taking a trip to the nature centre in Tilgate Park
- Researching British wildlife.
- Watching animal documentaries on BBC iPlayer.
- Visiting the library to get some books on wild animals.

## Important reminders:

- School photo day is on 2nd October.
- The deadline for permission to go to the British Wildlife Centre is **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2025**.
- We will be performing our Carol Concert to parents/carers in December.



## Our Reading River Books



These books have been carefully chosen to be read by children in Year 4  
Can you read them by the end of the year?

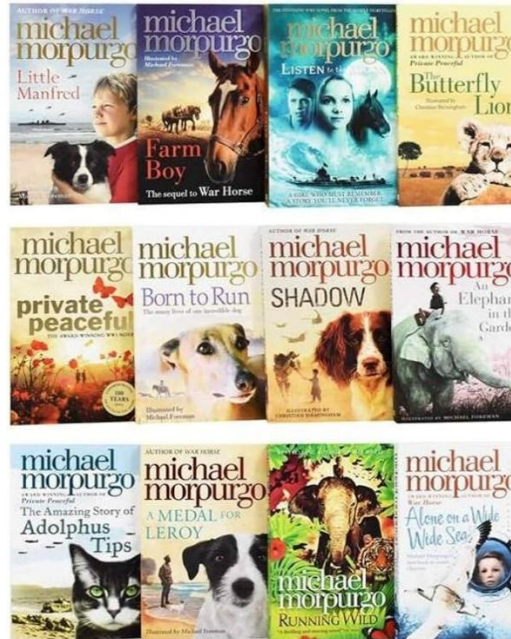


## Catch A Classic

Welcome to "Catch A Classic," an initiative designed to ignite a passion for timeless stories and celebrated authors.

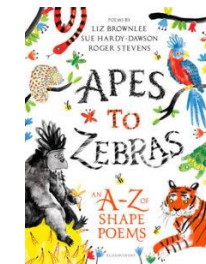
Each year group is assigned a specific classic author, allowing students to explore stories that have shaped literature and inspired generations.

Year 4's author is...Michael Morpurgo



## Books we recommend

To support our work this topic, we would highly recommend the following books, which can be borrowed from school or the public libraries if you don't have them at home:



This collection of animal poems from Roger Stevens, Liz Brownlee and Sue Hardy-Dawson will entrance and delight in equal measure. Featuring a full alphabet of animals, birds, and insects, with the odd extinct or imaginary creature thrown in, these beautiful shape poems are a perfect way to introduce children to poetry. Some funny, some serious, there is something here for everyone.