



Year 4 Learning Letter

Friday 25th September 2026

Edition No. 2

Respect Compassion Responsibility Courage

High Ashurst

It's not long now and the excitement is building! It would be very much appreciated if you could help your child to practise putting on a duvet cover, sheet and pillow case ready for High Ashurst.

The adults that will be coming along are:

Mrs Chase, Miss Whitcher, Mrs Edwards, Mrs Dibble, Mrs Tennent, Mrs P-H and Mrs Douglass. There will be two of these adults in each cabin. Please see the separate letter with further information accompanying this Learning Letter.



We are Learning

Maths - Moving onto addition and subtraction including the written formal column methods of numbers up to 10,000

English - writing instructions leading to writing instructions for how to make a bed.

Science - digestion, animals diets and food chains.

History - Romans in Britain

Computing - Internet Safety and animation

R.E. Christianity - God's covenants with his people

PE - Dance - The Charleston and cricket skills

PSHE - Being Me in My World

French -Introducing myself

DT - designing a slingshot car

KIRF - I know the number bonds to 100.

A hoard of Roman coins that we started making on our Roman Day.



Times Tables

As part of your child's regular times tables practice, they should be aiming to be a '15 Minute Champion'. For this they will need to go onto 'Garage' on TTRockstars 5 times in one week for at least 3 minutes at a time. By doing this, they will build up their personal 'Heat Map' which over time will turn yellow and then green for an increasing number of times tables facts. Their 15 minute effort will be celebrated in class. Over time, the TTRS algorithm will adjust to your child's ability. If your child's heat map is already green they should continue to play to keep it green.

DT

In a few weeks, we are going to complete a DT project 'Slingshot car' and would appreciate it if you could start to collect cereal boxes to help the children to build their cars. Please don't send them in yet as we have very little storage space.

Feeling Good Week and World Mental Health Day

On 5 - 9th October, we are celebrating Feeling Good Week as World Mental Health Day is on Saturday 10th October. Pupils will be participating in activities such as Feeling Good whole school homework and focusing on 'What makes you happy?' We will be sharing in class and compiling a class book with their homework so that they can enjoy looking at them throughout the year.

Have a great weekend everyone!



Packing List for Year 4 Trip - 14th - 16th October 2026

Be the best you can be every day.

Please see below for a few reminders requests and information regarding what to, and what not, to pack!

- For the first day children will need to take with them a packed lunch in a throw away bag (no glass bottles or sweets please). Please do not pack this in their overnight bag.

Packing List

Please make sure all items are named

All of the activities are outside, and may involve standing still for parts while others are having a go at the activities. **Therefore, please make sure that your child has warm layers.**

- Bedding: High Ashurst provides all of the bedding but the children are expected to put their own duvet and pillowcase inside the covers themselves so a bit of 'homework' practice on this would help!

The list below includes what the children need to travel in:

In a holdall/small wheelee suitcase (that they need to be able to carry themselves):	In a separate rucksack/day bag:
• Wellies/walking boots • Trainers plus a spare pair (school shoes if no spare trainers available) • Indoor shoes / slippers • 2/3 pairs of comfortable trousers • 2/3 warm jumpers or fleeces • 3/4 T-shirts • Pyjamas or nightdress • Socks • Underwear • Towel • Toothbrush and toothpaste • Shower gel /soap • Plastic bags for dirty clothes	• Waterproof trousers • Waterproof jacket preferably with a hood • Lunch for the first day • Water bottle

We are having a disco on Thursday evening so you may wish to pack something disco-ish! (Please no make-up) **We would appreciate if you could hand in medication to the office before the trip. If that is not possible, medicines (named and in original packets / containers) can be handed in on the morning of departure to Mrs Douglass or Mrs PH in the hall.**

Optional:

- Cuddly friend
- Book to read
- Simple *non-electronic* game to play in rooms with friends e.g. cards, top trumps

Please do not send electronic games, camera (disposable or not) mobile phones or sweets.

Thank you,

Mrs Douglass, Miss Whitcher & Mrs Chase