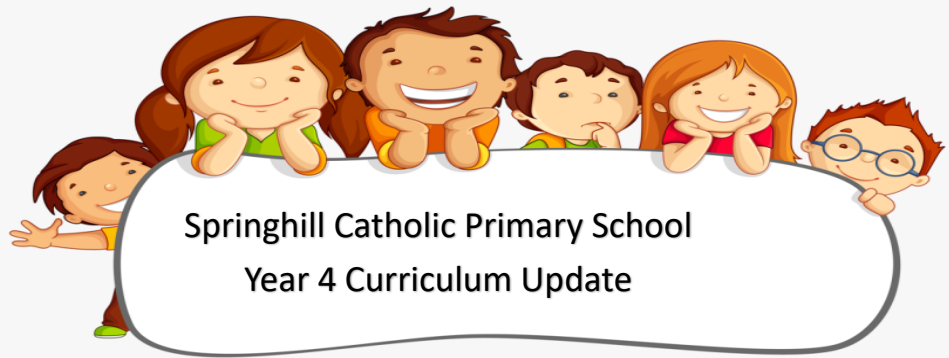




The water that I will give them will become a spring of water within, welling up to eternal life.  
JOHN 4:14



## Summer 1 — 2026

Dear Year 4 Parents/Guardians,

As we move into the Summer 1 half term, longer days and brighter sunshine are finally upon us! We are looking forward to seeing the children continue to make great progress across the curriculum during another busy and exciting half term.

**RE:** We begin with our Easter unit, exploring the Ascension story. Our Big Think question is Where does the Easter Journey Take Us? We will then move on to our Pentecost and Mission topic, considering how the Holy Spirit's gift of languages enabled the apostles to spread the Good Word.

**Reading:** Alongside our ongoing fluency work, we will practise some more advanced reading skills: evaluating texts by identifying different genres, exploring authors' vocabulary choices and their impact on the reader and making connections between texts by comparing themes and content.

**Writing:** We begin the term by writing eye-witness reports, focusing on weaving subordinate clauses into sentences to add detail and clarity. We will then return to fiction, constructing timeslip narratives using our knowledge from the Roman history unit.

**Maths:** Our learning continues with fractions and decimals, focusing on understanding tenths and hundredths and calculating with them. We will then apply this knowledge to money, solving real-life problems involving pounds and pence. Daily times table practice remains essential—please continue to support your child with TT Rockstars and ensure homework is completed regularly.

**PE:** PE remains on Thursday afternoons, covering Gaelic football, invasion games and athletics as early preparation for Sports Day.

**PDL:** This half term, in line with the National Curriculum, children will take part in Relationships and Sex Education (SRE). Further details are available on the school website, and an information email was shared before the holidays.

**Science:** In Animals Including Humans, children will learn about teeth and digestion, exploring the roles of different teeth, how food is broken down and how nutrients travel through the body.

**History:** We continue our Anglo-Saxon learning before moving on to the Viking invasion of Britain, examining their struggle for power and what artefacts reveal about Viking life.

**Art:** Continuing our Impressionism unit, children will explore how colour is used to express mood and recreate impressionist-inspired artwork using mosaic techniques and accurate scaling.

**Computing:** Children will create their own media with a focus on photo editing.

**Music:** We will explore rhythm, learning about 3/4 and 4/4 time signatures and rests in musical notation.

Of course, the highlight of the half term will be our residential trip to Minstead during the first week of May. We are very much looking forward to a fantastic and memorable experience for the children.

There will be an online parents' information meeting (Zoom) regarding both Minstead and the upcoming statutory multiplication tables check on **Monday 20th April at 6:00pm**. Please attend if you can.

Many thanks for your continued support,  
Mrs Jay and Mrs Lacey.

### Key dates:

#### 1-night residential to Minstead

4SW—5th/6th May

4JW—6th/7th May

4MR—7th/8th May

Please remember to read daily with your child and complete the reading challenge.

Daily reading will ensure your child has the best start in life.