

Welcome to Year 4
September 2026



The Year 4 team

Chaffinches

Miss Ballard (Monday-
Thursday)

Mrs Jones (Friday)

Mrs Mason (Tuesday
afternoon)

Nightingales

Miss Kaur

Mrs Jones / Mrs Glover
(Tuesday afternoon)

Skylarks

Mr Iles

Mrs Jones / Mrs Glover
(Tuesday afternoon)

Learning Support

Mrs Cooper and Mrs David

Tuesday afternoons is the planning time for the Year Four teachers, so the following staff will be covering.

- Chaffinches will be taught by Mrs Mason,
- Both Nightingales and Skylarks will be taught by Mrs Glover and Mrs Jones.

Uniform and P.E. kit

- Named
- No earrings or nail varnish
- Long hair tied up (blue or black accessories)

Greswold School Uniform Demonstrating our Value of Belonging		Greswold School Uniform Demonstrating our Value of Belonging	
What it is ✓	What it isn't ✗	What it is ✓	What it isn't ✗
Grey long trousers  OR Royal blue skirt/pinafore 	Black trousers  Grey skirt 	Grey or white socks (ankle or knee high)  OR Royal blue or white tights 	Trainer socks  Black or navy tights 
White long sleeved shirt or blouse and tie 	White t-shirt or white short-sleeved polo shirt with collar, plain or with school crest 	Black sensible shoes (not open-toed) 	Sandals  Black trainers  Black boots 

Trainers should be in a named bag, either kept in school or brought to school every day.

Uniform and P.E. kit

- Named

Greswold School Uniform Demonstrating our Value of Belonging	
What it is ✓	What it isn't ✗
Royal blue pullover (not the sweatshirt) or cardigan, plain or with school crest 	Royal blue sweatshirt (PE kit only) 

Demonstrating our Value of Belonging Greswold uniform can be worn all year round. Pupils can choose to wear summer uniform during the summer term and the first half term in Autumn.	
What it is ✓	What it isn't ✗
Grey short trousers or royal blue and white checked dress 	Royal blue and white shorts or dress with shorts 
White short sleeved shirt or blouse and tie (worn with shorts)  OR White short-sleeved polo shirt with collar, plain or with school crest 	White t-shirt 

Uniform and P.E. kit

- Named

Greswold Indoor PE kit (Worn on PE days only) Demonstrating our Value of Belonging	
What it is ✓	What it isn't ✗
Royal blue PE shorts 	Black shorts or cycling shorts 
White t-shirt (plain or with crest) 	Polo top (school uniform) 
Pumps 	Trainers 
White socks 	Tights 

Greswold Indoor PE kit (Worn on PE days only) Demonstrating our Value of Belonging	
What it is ✓	What it isn't ✗
Pupils may wish to wear a royal blue sweatshirt over their t-shirt to keep warm 	Blue jumper or cardigan (school uniform) 
Pupils may wish to wear plain navy or black tracksuit bottoms to keep warm 	Hoodie or leggings 

Uniform and P.E. kit

- Named

Greswold Outdoor PE kit (Worn on PE days only) Demonstrating our Value of Belonging	
What it is ✓	What it isn't ✗
Plain navy or black tracksuit bottoms  Royal blue sweatshirt with or without crest  Trainers  White t-shirt (plain or with crest) 	Striped or patterned tracksuit bottoms or with logos  Hoodie or leggings  Blue jumper (school uniform)  Bright trainers or with lights 

Optional Uniform Items Demonstrating our Value of Belonging	
What it is ✓	
Royal blue book bag with or without school crest (Rec to Y2) 	Royal blue skirt for indoor PE (Y5 and Y6 only) 
Royal blue, grey or white headscarf/hijab 	Royal blue or white hair bands in school colours (to serve a purpose, not just decorate) 

Greswold Uniform- optional items Demonstrating our Value of Belonging	
What it is ✓	What it isn't ✗
Analogue watch to tell the time  Digital watch with no camera or recording technology  Kara bracelet 	Smart watch  Bracelets including friendship bracelets, charity or awareness bands  

School day

- The school gates will be open from 8:30am and all children will be expected in school by 8:40am.
- Children arriving after this time should sign in at the school office.
- Please be available to collect your child from the classroom door at 3:10pm.
- Contact with staff must be via email. If you need to contact a member of staff, please do this by emailing the office on 25office@greswold.solihull.sch.uk

Weekly timetable

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
• Reading book • Water bottle • Coat	• Chaffinches swimming • Reading book • Water bottle • Coat	• Skylarks swimming • Nightingales swimming • Reading book • Water bottle • Coat	• Skylarks PE • Chaffinches PE • Nightingales PE • Reading book • Water bottle • Coat	• Last day for homework • Reading books • Water bottle • Coat

On the days that the children take part in PE, they need to arrive at school in their PE kit, **wearing their shoes**. They are expected to keep a pair of pumps and trainers in school to change into for their PE lessons, **unless they choose to bring their trainers in daily (required for the Daily Dash)**.

Learning and Behaviour

Success and Growth Mindset

- House points and class point charts

Times Tables

- Government expectation that by the end of Year 4, all children know their multiplication facts up to 12x12
- Year 4 children will take the government's national times table test in Summer 2026
- Children will be practising times tables in school each week but support from home is greatly appreciated
- Times Tables Rockstars is always available

Accelerated Reader

- Children should read for 20 minutes minimum each day at home as per the homework policy
- Accelerated Reader book needed in school every day
- Star Reader tests taken regularly, at least half termly
- Staff will recommend which level of colour banded book is most suitable for each child

Swimming



- Tuesday afternoon for Chaffinches
- Wednesday afternoon for Skylarks and Nightingales
- Boys to wear swimming trunks or shorts that are above the knee; girls to wear a full swimming costume and a swimming cap
- All children need goggles
- We advise all items are named and these must be in a named bag
- Boys come to school wearing their trunks/shorts under their uniform; girls bring their costume to school in their swimming bag
- Please be aware that if a child does not have the required items, parents will be contacted by the office with the expectation that missing items are brought to school by 1pm at the latest in good time for the lesson.
- The instructors have high expectations. We are using their facilities, and they have routines and rules that we endeavour to support.

Year 4 Topics

- **Autumn** – The Windrush generation and European geography
- **Spring** – Ancient and modern Greece, states of matter and classification
- **Summer** – Tudors, world geography, teeth and digestion

Home Learning

- Spelling homework each week
- Accompanying English task each week
- Maths homework each week
- Spelling test each Friday
- Reading
- English and maths homework is due in school by Friday at the latest. The class will discuss the learning and as part of this the children will take responsibility for marking.

Snacks and water

- Snack – unprocessed : fresh fruit or vegetables, dried fruit
- Named water bottles – brought home at the end of each day to be cleaned. They need to be returned each morning, filled .



Standon Bowers
Residential weekend

Friday 23rd Saturday 24th to
Sunday 25th April 2027
Cost is between £xxx and £xxx
£xx deposit required by xxth
October 2026

Some Do and Don't things were mentioned to the children.

Do

Follow our school
values

Listen carefully

Put your hand up
to ask

Don't

Bring a pencil case

Bring toys

Bring cards

Get out of your
seat

Collectively, Year 4 will focus on...

Pride in all your work
Handwriting - letters formed correctly
1 digit per square in maths books
Using a ruler proficiently to underline
Underlining dates and Learning
Write own Learning
Colouring/shading (within lines and one way)
Sticking sheets carefully within edges of page

We look forward to working
with you to support your
child this year.