

English

In English this week, our focus was on *The Disgusting Sandwich* by Gareth Edwards. The children wrote imaginative retells from the perspective of the sandwich itself, using fronted adverbials and complex sentences to add detail and variety to their writing.

★ **Star Writer** ★ – Ella

✎ **Handwriting Hero** ✎ – Freddie ST

Maths

This week in Maths, we started our new Decimals unit. The children explored tenths as fractions and decimals, represented them on a place value chart and number line, and learned how to divide a one-digit number by 10.

Catholic Social Teaching

Our Catholic Social Teaching this half-term focussed on Dignity of Workers. The children discussed what gives people dignity in their work, making links to the 1889 Dock Workers' Strike, Fairtrade and scripture from Genesis. They reflected thoughtfully on fairness, respect and the value of work in God's world.

History

In Geography, we began our new topic on the Tudors. The children learned about the monarchs before Henry VIII, finding out key facts about each ruler, placing them in chronological order, and building an understanding of the Tudor period.

Year 4

Summer 1 2026



Week 1

Spellings

To be tested

Thursday 25th April

expansion

extension

comprehension

tension

corrosion

supervision

fusion

conclusion

persuasion

suspension

classification

plant

flowering

pictogram

species

Art

This week in Art, we began our new topic – 3D. The children explored shoe design in preparation for their own. They looked at different purposes of shoes, their designs, functions and audience.

Gold Book

★ **Reve** ★

Well done for your much improved behaviour and positive attitude this week. You have been trying hard in lessons and focusing more on your work. Fantastic effort! 😊

Homework

Maths – Atom Learning
RE – due **Monday 18th May** – in celebration of St Francis of Assisi's Anniversary Year, please find the RE homework instructions under 'Class Pages', 'Year 4', 'Summer 1 RE Homework'

<https://www.stcross.herts.sch.uk/summer-1-re-homework/>

TTRS

Boom Reader

Spellings

Computing

In Computing, the children are using Scratch to create loops, exploring how repeated instructions can be used to draw and create shapes. This helped them develop their understanding of sequencing and repetition in coding.

They can access Scratch from home following this link:

<https://scratch.mit.edu/projects/editor/?tutorial=getStarted>

PE

Rounders – the children developed their throwing and catching accuracy, working on control and teamwork.

Tennis – the children focused on improving their racket and ball control, practicing consistency and coordination.