YEAR 4

HOMEWORK GRID
AUTUMN 2 (2026)

Burnt Cakes

COMPULSORY TASKS		
Reading	**Spelling**	**Maths**
Your child is expected to read at home each night. Please write a comment in the diary about your child's reading and sign the entry.	Your child will be set spellings that they will need to practise and learn for a weekly spelling test.	A weekly maths task is set. This will be aligned to work completed during that week in class.

WEEKLY TASK – YOU DECIDE!

Task 1 **Firework Makers** Channel your inner Lila from *The Firework-Maker's Daughter* and write a descriptive recipe for a firework. Make sure that you give your firework an exciting name such as 'Crackle-Dragons'.	**Task 2** **Illustrious Illustrators** Create an alternative book cover for *The Firework-Maker's Daughter*.	**Task 3** **Terrific Travellers** *The Firework-Maker's Daughter* is set near Java, Indonesia. Create a travel guide about this area, including where it is, any exciting landmarks and any interesting facts.	**Task 4** **Historical Hamlet** Hamlet, the white elephant, is an important character in *The Firework-Maker's Daughter*. Research the cultural and historical significance of white elephants and write an informative paragraph about them.	**Task 5** **Historical Firework-Maker** Create a newspaper article about Guy Fawkes and the failed Gunpowder Plot of 1605. Write as though the event has just happened and format your work in the style of a newspaper article.
Task 6 **Anglo-Saxon Kennings** Research what Anglo-Saxon kennings were and write a paragraph about them. Have a go at writing one of your own kennings – it could be about an animal, an important person or even an everyday object!	**Task 7** **Creative Collages** Create a collage of a Viking scene; e.g. a stormy sea, a warrior at work, a raid!	**Task 8** **Podcast** Listen to the episode '*The Viking Age: Triumph of the Northmen*' on the History Storytime Podcast – For kids. Have a go at writing your own podcast about the Vikings!	**Task 9** **Amazing Jewels** Research the Alfred Jewel or the Offa Rex coin. Have a go at creating a model of one of these royal relics!	**Task 10** **Burnt Cakes** Create a recipe for the cakes King Alfred burned in the story about him.

Choose one optional task to complete each week. This will be your weekly English/Topic Homework.
Please remember to put the date and task heading at the top of your page. Please underline them.
This half term has **7** weeks. You have **7 out of 10** tasks to select from. This task needs to be handed in on **Wednesdays**.