

Class Newsletter – Autumn Term 2023: Year 4

To give you a little more information about what we are learning at school this term, the following we hope will give you a flavour of the topics covered and some of the vocabulary children will be using. Children are not expected to be able to write and spell any of the following words but we hope will be able to use the vocabulary once learnt and understood. More detailed plans and progressions are available on the school website.

<u>Maths</u> Topics Covered: <i>Place Value (to 10,000 including Roman Numerals)</i> <i>Addition and Subtraction (up to 4 digit numbers)</i> <i>Area (What is area, counting squares)</i> <i>Multiplication and division (3, 6, 9, 7, 11, 12 times tables)</i>		<u>English</u> Texts studied: <i>George’s Marvellous Medicine (Roald Dahl), Lightning Mary (Anthea Simmons)</i> Reading and Writing genres: <i>Humorous Fiction, Instruction text: Recipes. Biography</i>		<u>Science</u> Topics Covered: <i>States of matter, rocks and soils</i> Key Vocabulary: <i>Solid, liquid, gas, temperature, heating, freezing point, boiling point, particles, evaporation, condensation, thermometer, thermal insulation</i> <i>Permeable, impermeable, sedimentary, igneous, metamorphic, fossil, soil, organic matter, humus.</i>	
<u>Art</u> Topics Covered: <i>Drawing, Painting</i> Key Vocabulary: <i>Composition, tone, still life, effect, perspective, vanishing point.</i>		<u>Computing</u> Topics Covered: <i>Online Safety, Spreadsheets</i> Key Vocabulary: <i>responsibly, unacceptable, report, concern, code, algorithm, present data</i>		<u>RE</u> Topics Covered: <i>Hinduism</i> Key Vocabulary: <i>Brahman, Trimurti, Atman, Moksha</i>	
<u>Design Technology</u> Topics Covered: <i>Food</i> Key Vocabulary: <i>Healthy diet, seasonality</i>		<u>History/Geography</u> Topics Covered: <i>Maps, locational knowledge – Germany.</i> Key Vocabulary: <i>Topographic, Contours, Hemisphere, Longitude, latitude.</i>		<u>Modern Foreign Languages</u> Topics Covered: <i>German</i> Key Vocabulary (translated): <i>Numbers to 12, My name is, I am – years old, I live in..., my hobbies are..., My family. (in German)</i>	
<u>Physical Education</u> Topics Covered: <i>Netball, Football</i> Key Vocabulary: <i>tactics, control, dribble, pass, attack, defend.</i>		<u>Personal Social Health Education</u> Topics Covered: <i>Relationships, Growing up</i> Key Vocabulary: <i>friendships, family, romantic, online, marriage, civil partnership, caring, same sex, blended, foster</i>			
<u>Homework Messages</u> <i>English comprehension</i> <i>Maths connected to current topic</i> <i>Year 3/4 Spellings + spelling rules</i>		<u>PE Days</u> Monday and Friday Sports club Friday		<u>Message from the class teacher.</u> <i>Homework will be given out on a Thursday to be completed and returned by the following Wednesday. Please support your child with their homework task, if there are any problems, please ask your child to speak to an adult in class who will be able to help.</i> <i>Please support your child by listening to them read at least three times a week.</i>	

Please note – This is a very brief summary of the language and content of our curriculum as a guide to parents of the language and topics to be covered this term. Please contact your child’s teacher if you have any questions.