

Autumn Newsletter

Year 4



September 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope that you all had a wonderful summer and are looking forward to a fantastic year ahead.

Contacting us

If you need to contact us regarding your child's education or wellbeing, please email your child's class teacher.

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Literacy

This term the children will read "How to Train Your Dragon" by Cressida Cowell. In the second half term they will read "The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe" by C S Lewis. They will respond to these texts by writing a variety extended pieces, including writing letters, diaries and narratives. The children will also practice their reading comprehension skills daily.

Homework.

In Year 4 the children will receive 2 pieces of homework on Monday each week on Google Classroom: one English and one Maths. This may include a Reading Journal activity, a spelling, punctuation or grammar task or maths from the IXL website. We expect this to be completed by the following Monday. Please let us know if you do not have access to a computer device at home as the school can provide one.

Snacks and Water

We are a healthy eating school, so all children will receive a portion of fruit as their morning snack each day.

Please make sure that your child brings a water bottle in to school, to ensure that they are hydrated and alert.

PE

This term the children will have their weekly PE sessions with Billy on Tuesdays and Fridays. They will also have dance lessons on a Thursday with Emanuela. Please ensure that children bring a PE kit on each of these days. Children will be expected to be wearing sensible footwear for sports (no crocs, boots or sandals).

Numeracy

We will begin by focussing on the place value of numbers by partitioning, representing and comparing numbers up to 10,000. The children will extend their knowledge by adding and subtracting up to 4 digit numbers. This will be followed by a short unit on area and shape. Finally, the children will learn efficient multiplication strategies for their 1 to 12 times tables.

History and Geography

Our first topic of the term is 'Beyond the City' This is a geography topic, where the children will learn about mountain ranges and land uses in the UK and will get the chance to visit an English village to explore and record its geographical features. Our second topic is 'Raiders and Invaders' where we will be transported back in time to learn about the Anglo Saxons, the Vikings and life of Alfred the Great.

Science

In Science the children will be exploring electricity. They will learn about electrical appliances, build circuits (with and without switches) and identify electrical conductors and insulators using everyday materials.

Many Thanks,

Shuhana Begum and Joanne Hay