Year 4 Newsletter Spring Term 1 2024

Dear Parents

Happy New Year and welcome to the Spring Term. We hope that you enjoyed some relaxing family time over the break and are refreshed and ready for a new term.

We are looking forward to teaching new topics at school and hope you find the following information about our main areas of learning helpful.

Curriculum overview for this half term (please refer to the topic web for further details)

Topic: Britain Then and Now	
We are excited to be starting a new topic with History as a lead subject.	
Literacy	 Poetry by Joseph Coelho Creating own poems Figurative language Poetry performance Punctuation and sentence structure Verb tenses
Spelling	 Year 3/4 word list Spelling rules – Year 4 National Curriculum
Maths	 Number – Multiplication and division Measurement – Area Fractions - making a whole.
Science	SoundStates of Matter
Foundation Subjects	 History - Britain Then and Now – We'll be tracking the origins of steam power and the Industrial Revolution, while focusing on its effects on living conditions, work and health. While making a comparative study, we shall be examining how inventions solved problems in everyday life and we shall be making links with issues that are current today. PSHE - Health and wellbeing PE - gym and dance. RE- Hinduism – God and sacred writings. Art – Story telling through drawing.

Reminders:

Homework and Homework diaries

Thank you for supporting your child with their spelling, maths and research tasks.

Please refer to the homework timetable handed out at the start of the autumn term.

Although the reading comments can be written by the parent or child, we expect the children to be responsible for making sure these are added to the signed diary each week and handed in every Monday.

Reading books can be changed once completed and chosen from home or school as appropriate.

Equipment for lessons

Please ensure that your child is fully equipped each day for school, including bringing in a blue handwriting or friction pen (no biros), pencil, glue, water bottle and full PE kit. Thank you for your ongoing support in helping your child be prepared and organised for school each day.

Please note that a school jumper or a blue sweatshirt or fleece is suitable for PE days but coloured items are not part of the school kit.

We would welcome any donations of tissues.

Snacks

Please remember that your child should have a healthy snack (no crisps, chocolate or sweets) that conforms to the school policy of no nuts. Also, as an alternative to sending in sweets to celebrate your child's birthday, please consider sending in a book from our reading list with a Happy Birthday greeting in the book from your child to the class.

Hair

All hair that is shoulder length needs to be tied neatly back. Long fringes also need to be clipped or kept out of children's eyes with a hairband.

and appreciate the support and encouragement you give to your child. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

We are looking forward to the new term ahead. We appreciate the support and encouragement you give to your child and hope that this information helps you to be involved in their learning. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind regards,

Mrs Dumont, Mr Lowe and Miss Ringrow