

## Year Four Newsletter

### AUTUMN TERM

#### WELCOME BACK!

No one can deny that the past few months have been a strange and challenging time for us all. We are so glad to welcome you all back safe and well and we are looking forward to some exciting topics in year 4.

#### Water bottles

In light of Covid-19 we are trying to reduce the sharing of resources. Therefore please use refillable bottles that the children will keep with them. Water bottles are available to buy at school.

#### Name labels

Please ensure all jumpers have your child's name written in it clearly so they can easily be identified.

Please ensure earrings are removed ready for PS every Friday.

#### Maths and English

English and Maths will take place most mornings in Year 4. We will be looking forward to learning all about Shackleton's expedition to Antarctic for the first half term.

Times tables, as we all know, underpin our learning in so many areas of maths. Please keep learning, reciting, practicing, re-learning and playing games especially Times Table Rock stars to help your child know their x tables instantly and accurately.

#### Art and Design

In Art, we will be learning about photography -inspired by Frank Hurley. A letter will follow shortly with all the details.

#### Science

We will be learning about electricity and how to make simple circuits as well as about how sound travels and how they are made

#### Geography

In line with our Shackleton topic we will be exploring the polar regions and what they are like. As well as using the 8 points of the compass and looking at maps.

#### P.E DAYS

P.E. will be on Friday. PE will take place outside. CHILDREN WILL NEED TO COME TO SCHOOL IN THEIR PE KIT INCLUDING TRAINERS. THEY WILL STAY IN THEIR KIT ALL DAY.

#### MUSIC More information to follow.

We are very excited to once again provide the Year 4 children with the opportunity to learn the guitar!

An external guitar teacher will come in once a fortnight to teach the children on a Tuesday afternoon.

Don't worry—the instruments will be provided.

#### ATTENDANCE

Please ensure your child comes to school every day and on time wherever possible to avoid gaps in their learning. This will also mean they will be in with a chance of being picked out of the early bird prize draw on a Friday during assembly. We are working hard to raise our attendance levels throughout school. Thank you for your support.

Lets see if Year 4 can take the Attendance Cup back to class.

Hopefully you will have now sent your child's OV4 form, Home/School Agreement and Safe Internet Use Agreements back to school.

If you still have any of these forms still at home, could they please be returned to school as soon as possible.

Thank you!

**PLEASE REMEMBER THE CHILDREN ARE NOT PERMITTED TO WEAR NAIL POLISH OR JEWELLERY IN SCHOOL.. Children are not permitted to come to school with dye in their hair.**

#### HOME / SCHOOL ORGANISERS

Please take a few moments to read through the organisers. There are lots of great ideas for helping your child develop their reading and comprehension skills as well as word families for spelling. Please sign the diary at the end of every week. Books will be changed each week on a Monday and a Thursday.

With this newsletter is a knowledge organizer to help you and your child understand the key facts of our current topic.

**PLEASE ENSURE YOUR CHILD BRINGS A WATER BOTTLE TO SCHOOL EVERYDAY.**

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#### HOMEWORK -

#### JUST A QUICK

#### REMINDER ABOUT

#### HOMEWORK

The children will have a topic/project based homework. This will be discussed with the children in class and they will then have a set amount of time to do it. A letter will follow shortly regarding this.

The children will bring their project into class to share with everybody. Regular reading and spelling activities will continue to take place. Please note that homework is not optional.

The Year 4 team look forward to working in partnership with you this term.