YEAR 4 CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER SPRING 2

Welcome back, Year 4! We hope that you had a wonderful break and feel refreshed to continue with the academic year. This newsletter will provide you with information on the half term ahead. If you have any further queries, please don't hesitate to contact us.



Topic- Our topic for this term is Anglo-Saxons and the Vikings. We will be learning about these groups, their way of life and beliefs. We will explore the conflict between them and work towards writing a historical enquiry.



Google Classroom - We will be using Google Classroom frequently to share any updates or provide extra homework to support our learning in class. Please ensure your child is logging in weekly.

English - This term in English, we will be developing our writing skills through looking at a variety of different texts, including a range of fiction and non-fiction. Our main text for the half term will be Gulliver's Travels. In spelling, we will be learning suffixes, prefixes and our statutory spellings and we will be consolidating these through handwriting (letter join). During guided reading, we will be exploring the book 'Viking Voyagers' to support our knowledge in this topic.

Maths-Our first focus of the year will be continuing our work on multiplication and division. Then, we will learn about length and perimeter. Each child has a new maths rocket. Every Friday your child will have an informal rocket quiz with their group. They should practise the skill for the test as their homework.

IMPORTANT: Times Tables - Times Tables will continue to be a big focus in Year 4, with all children in the country being tested in the summer term. Children in Year 4 are expected to know their 1-12 times tables and to be fluent in doing so. We would therefore encourage you to do as much practice as you can with times tables at home. Times Tables Rockstars is a great programme to help with this - please use it regularly.



Science- In Science, we will be continuing with the topic of States of Matter. We will then move onto a new topic, 'Living Things and their Habitats'.

PE- Your child will have <u>two PE sessions per week</u>. This half term, the focus will be swimming and football.

4MV will have their first PE lesson on Tuesdays.

4EB will have their first PE lesson on Tuesdays.

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Please make sure your child has their swim kit or PE kit on the correct day.

Thanks, Melissa and Ellie