

Class 4 Newsletter – Spring 2024

Welcome back to school! We hope you all enjoyed a fantastic, festive time together with your friends and families.

Curriculum

Our English lessons will initially be focused on a book called *Floodland*, written by Marcus Sedgwick. After this, we will read *Hidden Figures* by Margot Lee Shetterly. Throughout the term, we will work on fractions, decimals and percentages in maths. Our RE topics are God's Covenant and Reconciliation. This term we will be continuing with our spiral curriculum in science, where we will be working on our four topics across the term. They are Properties and Changes of Materials, Living Things and Their Habitats, Earth & Space and Forces.



Homework

- Children are expected to read and talk about their book to an adult every night for at least 20 minutes. Reading to an adult is important for every year group in the school. Please keep your personal reading records up to date.
- This term we will be continuing with our spelling programme called - *The Spelling Book* by Jane Considine. It includes daily and weekly spelling activities that are built around strong phonic foundations. As the whole programme is completed at school, spelling homework will not be set.
- Please continue to practice all times tables to ensure speedy recall. This will really support our maths topics on fractions and percentages.
- Children will be given homework on a specific topic where they need to practise further, this will be given out on a Friday.



PE/Forest School

The Forest School dates for Year 5 and Year 6 are as follows:

Thursday 11th January Year 6

Thursday 18th January Year 5



Children will need **clothing suitable for Forest School:**

- Wellies/trainers
- Spare socks
- Trousers (jogging bottoms/leggings)
- Long sleeved t-shirt/sweatshirt
- Rain coat
- Hat, scarf, gloves
- Waterproof trousers if possible

The children may come to school wearing their Forest School clothes on the day they will be attending. Please be aware that these clothes will get muddy and wet!

During the cooler weather, please ensure your child has sufficient layers to keep warm. We will be going in all weathers, unless a weather warning is in place, so please send your child with appropriate clothing and spare shoes for the bus.

If your child has earrings, they will need to take them out for PE lessons independently, or please provide some tape to cover them.

PE Clubs

Our PE clubs this half term are as follows. Please sign up your child on Wisepay if they would like to take part.

Dance Tuesday 3.15pm-4.15pm (Places already allocated)

Football Wednesday 3.15pm-4.15pm

Gymnastics Friday 3.15pm-4.15pm

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

Wishing you all a very Happy New Year!

Miss Roberts