

# Year Four Newsletter

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We are so excited to welcome everyone back and we are sure the children are refreshed and ready for their next chapter in Year 4! We are preparing for a smooth transition into our new cla



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We will kick start the year with the novel 'The Firework Makers Daughter' written by the wonderful children's author, Philip Pullman. This text will inspire a variety of writing including instructions on how to make a firework. In history, we will be answering key questions about the Anglo-Saxon period. We have lots of exciting activities planned for all areas of the curriculum, as well as making good use of our excellent outdoor areas including the campfire circle, solar dome and outdoor classroom, not forgetting our animals of course!

If you have any questions, please feel free to come and speak to us.

The Year Four Team

## What we will be learning about:

- Living things and their habitats.
- Anglo-Saxons.
- Healthy living.

- The value of digits in numbers up to 10,000 and addition and subtraction using these numbers.
- How to write instructions and setting descriptions.
- Year 4 curriculum spellings.
- Becoming a class team, rights and responsibilities and being a school citizen in PSHE.

#### What we will be doing:

- Writing instructions and setting descriptions.
- Reading, writing and comparing numbers up to 10,000, and learning how to add and subtract efficiently.
- Making jewellery inspired by Anglo-Saxon artefacts.
- Preparing and making healthy soup.
- Grouping and classifying animals and using classification keys.

### You can help by:

- Listening to your child read regularly and logging comments in their yellow reading record. Reading books to your children will also help them to improve their reading.
- Supporting your child with their weekly maths and spellings homework.

 Encouraging your child to practice the times tables facts and use some screen time to access TTRS.

#### Things to remember:

- Bookbags should be brought into school every Thursday.
- Children receive homework every Friday and it is checked the following Thursday.
- Class 4SM PE days are <u>Wednesdays</u>.
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Please send your child to school in their PE kit on those days and their swim bag on swimming days.