

Welcome back!

Year Four Class

Newsletter

Spring 2, 2019

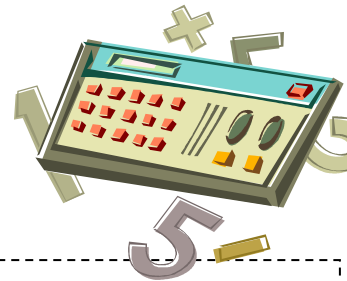


Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome back, we hope you had a lovely break. We are really looking forward to a new half term and we would like to share what we will be doing with your children.

Maths

In our Maths work, we will continue to focus on problem solving and reasoning skills. This half term we will be looking at multiplication, fractions and decimals. Learning how to order and round decimals and create whole numbers. We will continue to learn our times tables on a regular basis. The children are beginning to get much more confident and regular practice at home will really embed this skill.



English

This term Year 4 will continue focusing on the book 'Journey' by Aaron Becker creating our own narrative. We will continue to look at various aspects of SPAG during our English sessions with a particular focus on inverted commas, using a greater variety of conjunctions and including possessive nouns. During our reading 'Text Interrogation' sessions we will be focusing on the non-fiction book, 'How to Survive', by Bear Grylls.

Spelling continues to be a big focus in Year 4. We will continue to have weekly spelling tests and encourage the children to use taught spellings in their writing. Please continue to support with this at home. Reading and library books will continue to be changed once a week. Please remind your child to bring their book in when they are ready to change it.



### Theme

Our whole school theme for this term is still 'Let's go wild'. In History, we will be continuing exploring, 'What did the Romans do for us?' With a particular focus on aqueducts and how engineering from two thousand years ago, still influences our way of living today. Our Science investigations will include 'All living things', with particular reference to our environment and 'Electricity', constructing a simple series electrical circuit, identifying and naming its basic parts, including cells, wires, bulbs, switches and buzzers.

### Homework

The homework system will stay the same as last half term, with the children receiving weekly spellings, SPAG work and Maths homework. As well as this, the children will still have project based homework to be completed over the half term. We are really impressed with the time and effort that has gone into the project based homework so far and we look forward to seeing some more fabulous work!

### Key dates and information for your diary:

Swimming - Swimming will continue on Tuesday afternoons for those Year 4 children still attending.

PE days- Year 4 Monday and Wednesday

Golden Assembly- Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2019

Please continue to promote using the times table rock-star website- This is a fun, engaging way to learn times tables. We appreciate your support in this area at home.

If you would like any further information about this half term in year four, please do not hesitate to call in before or after school or use the planners as a means of communication. Thank you for your continued support,

Mr Anderson, Miss Gilmore & Mrs Winterbottom.