

Year 4 Newsletter January 2018

I would like to start by wishing you all a Happy New year and welcome back after, what was hopefully, a lovely Christmas Break!

Termly Topics

Over the Spring term in science the focus will be electricity and electrical circuits, which will be very practical and hands on. Our History topics are looking at the Anglo- Saxons and Vikings, how they came to Britain and the impacts they have had on our modern day world. In RE we will be taking a look into Hinduism, aspects of their beliefs and culture. As well as Mark Waters delivering one PE lesson each week, we are very lucky to welcome Vanessa Oxspring to our school. She is from a dance company, VCreate, and will be delivering a dance lesson every Wednesday for the first six weeks of the Spring term. In Maths, we will be visiting fractions and decimals and In English, as ever, we will cover a wide range of genres including: non-chronological reports, narrative and fables.

Things to remember

PE will now take place on a Tuesday and Wednesday until the half term so please can you make sure children's kits are in for those days. There is a chance we could be outside for some Hockey sessions so some warm outdoor kit would be advised. This half term I will be giving out weekly Maths or English homework in addition to the weekly spellings and reading. I would also like to take this time to highlight the importance of the children in year 4 learning their times tables. This will help incredibly in all areas and maths, especially when moving up to the older years of the school. Your continued support with all of these areas is much appreciated. It makes a real difference in helping to reinforce your child's learning.

The Y3 & 4 production, I'm sure a great source of excitement this term, will be the annual Y3 & 4 production. I can reveal that this year we will be performing 'Pirates of the Curry Bean!' There will be two performances to parents, an afternoon performance on Tuesday 20th March and an evening performance on Wednesday 21st March. For the moment please put these dates in your diary! Further details will follow closer to the time. We will hold auditions shortly before February half term and will send children home with scripts over the half term break.

As always, please get in contact with me if you wish to discuss anything further regarding your child's learning.

Kind regards,

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