



# Autumn 2

## Class 4 Curriculum Newsletter

### WELCOME BACK!

After an incredibly positive start in Autumn 1, where we have noted the children's positive attitudes to school life and their determination to be the very best that they can be, a warm welcome back to Autumn 2...

This term is always a notoriously busy one with the lead up to Christmas so we hope to see the children apply themselves with the same vigour.

### KEY INFORMATION

PE this half term will be Swimming on Tuesdays - children come to school in PE kit and bring swimming kit in separate bag.

Forest School continues to be every other Wednesday.

Please keep a close eye on Dojo as there are many events and opportunities coming up!

### HELP FROM HOME

Reading is the single biggest factor for future success - just 5 minutes daily at home can make such a huge, positive impact!

TTRockstars - engagement with such at home will support children's mathematical fluency.

## ENGLISH

English this half term will see Class 4 engage with 3 key texts this half term - 'Myths, Monsters and Mayhem in Ancient Greece', 'Mission to Marathon' and 'Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief'.

Using these key texts, children will write for the purposes to entertain and inform, writing myths, diary entries and a narrative piece.

Development of spelling, punctuation, grammar and handwriting will be developed in English lessons.

## MATHS

Children will cover the following areas in Maths this half term:

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- Multiplication and Division
- Fractions

Children will engage with learning opportunities to develop their fluency, problem solving and reasoning skills.

## SCIENCE

In Science, children will be learning about 'Inheritance and Evolution'.

This topic includes looking at the work of Charled Darwin, alongside other theories of evolution. We will explore adaptations, inherited characteristics, variations and mutations in animals and plants. We will also be exploring fossils, noting the importance of Mary Anning and other palaeontologists.

## RE

This half term, Class 4 have 2 'BIG' questions to explore in RE:

- Why do Christians believe Jesus was the Messiah?
- Christians and how to live: 'What would Jesus do?'

In Class 4, RE will be taught on a Thursday and Friday morning. In RE lessons, children have the opportunity to engage in exploration of theology, philosophy and the human and social sciences surrounding religion.

# FOUNDATION SUBJECTS

The following will be covered this half term in the Foundation subjects in Class 4:

History - The Ancient Greeks  
PSHE - Rights and Responsibilities  
PE - Swimming  
DT - Upcycled tote bags

We will also be busy, on Thursday afternoons, splitting into groups to rehearse our upcoming whole-school production of 'Lights, Camel, Action!'

Further information about content covered in Foundation subjects will be shared via Dojo as and when necessary.

As ever, we plan to enhance the curriculum with additional opportunities, including sporting events and fixtures, and educational experiences and visits - we will provide details of these opportunities as and when via letters and Dojo.

We thank you for your continued support and look forward to the term ahead.

As always, if you require any further information or have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

The Class 4 Team :)