

Year 4 Autumn Term Newsletter

Welcome back to another school year. We hope you've had a great summer break and we are looking forward to an exciting year. We are pleased to welcome Mrs Smith to the year 4 team, as you know Mrs Smith has worked at Burton End for a number of years as a Learning Support Assistant, she has now made the decision to complete her teacher training so she will be taking lessons within Year 4. Our topic this term is 'The Romans'. This is a history based topic and we will begin by recapping on the Iron Age in Britain, moving onto looking at chronology and when the Roman period was. Later on in the term we will focus on the Roman invasion and the legacy they have left behind.

Year 4 are lucky to have Mrs Taylor who is Forest School trained and will be holding weekly sessions in our school forest. Everyone will get a chance to participate over the course of the year. However, please remember that group sizes are small so letters and information packs will be sent out throughout the year.

Maths

In Maths Mastery this half term we will be working on place value and we will be ordering and comparing four digit numbers as well as rounding to the nearest 10,100 and 1000.

Science

Our science topic this term is sound, we will be learning how sounds are made, how sound travels and all about the ear. We will kick off this topic with a sound walk (You could try this at home!).

Spelling

Spellings will be set by SFA teachers and will be given out on a Tuesday. Spelling tests will be carried out the following Tuesday.

Useful websites

-Times Table Rockstars, BBC Bitesize and Topmarks.

Reminders

-P.E is on a Wednesday and Friday (until further notice). We ask that all jewellery should be removed for these days as part of our Health and Safety policy.

- Due to the new library we are changing our approach to reading, class teachers will be listening to all children read and helping them to select an appropriate book. Please bear with us as it may be a couple of weeks until all children have a reading book.

- Reminder that Home-School Learning Logs should be in school each day. If you have any issues, please write in this for your class teacher to see and respond.

- A reminder that children in Year 4 do not need pencil cases in school. Please ensure your child keeps their pencil case at home.

- Swimming will start after Christmas and will be on a Monday morning. Further details will be sent out nearer the time.

Home-learning

Children will be given a homework book. Each week a piece of homework will be set by the class teacher, this could be; Grammar, History/Geography, spelling or reading. The homework will be set on a Monday and the expectation is that this is handed in on a Friday. Reminder that homework presentation expectations should match those set in school (Writing in pencil or handwriting pen, date and title underlined and finally neat handwriting).

You will be invited to attend a parent consultation later in the term. Information will be sent out in due course.

If there are any questions or queries don't hesitate to come and discuss these with your class teacher.

Kind Regards

Mrs Taylor, Miss Holt and Mrs Smith

Supported by - Mrs Barber and Miss O'Sullivan (LSA)