



# Year 4 Autumn term

This term we will be learning about ...

## Welcome to Class 4!

I hope you all had a lovely Summer holiday! The children are all settling in well to life in Class 4 after their long break.

If you have any questions or concerns about your child please do not hesitate to make an appointment with me after school.

Miss Dunn



### PE

The children will be having PE lessons on Friday afternoons so will need to come to school in full school PE kit. We will also be having lessons in the morning on these days so pencil cases etc will also be required.

### Homework

Spellings and times tables are given out each Monday to be learned for a test on Friday. Children will be given the Y3/4 spelling words, which they will be expected to learn throughout the year.

### Mathematics

The children will be learning about:

- \* Place value and partitioning
- \* Comparing and ordering numbers
- \* Negative numbers
- \* Adding and subtracting 2 and 3 digit numbers
- \* Using different strategies to estimate and check additions and subtractions
- \* Measuring perimeter
- \* Multiplication and division of 2 and 3 digit numbers

### English

The children will be developing their reading, writing, speaking and listening skills by learning through our class novel, *Before I met Dudley*. We will be writing instructions, explanations, tutorials. After half term, our class novel will be *'The water horse'*, by Dick King Smith. We will be looking at poems, arguments and newspaper reports.



Children will have spelling,

punctuation and grammar (SPaG) lessons each week. The children are then expected to apply the rules and techniques they learn to their writing.

Weekly comprehension lessons, as well as whole class guided reading sessions, develop the children's understanding of a wide range of texts.

### RE

Our first RE topic this term is called 'People'. We will be reflecting on our own families and completing family trees. This topic also helps us to learn about the family of God and the important people who helped

form this

special family. As

part of our studies into other faiths, we will then spend a week learning about Judaism. After half term our new RE topic will be our Sacramental preparation topic, where we will learn about Reconciliation, ahead of making our first confessions.

### Topic

This term our topic is 'Sparks might fly'. We will be learning about electricity,

how it works and why it is important.



The children will be making circuits, designing and creating their own electrical product, and finding out about famous scientists in this field.

After half term, our topic will be 'Water, water'. In this topic, we will be learning about states of matter, the processes of melting, freezing, evaporation and condensation. The children will learn about the water cycle and rivers around the world.

### Reading at home

Reading a variety of different books on a regular basis not only helps children to develop their reading skills, but also helps improve their writing. It is important that children are reading as much as possible at home. **Reading at home is part of the children's homework** so please encourage your child to read independently as well as reading with them as much as possible. This needs to be recorded in their reading record.



### Organisation

Children in Class 4 will be expected to arrive in class with all of the items they need for the day. This includes their pencil case, spelling book, reading record, reading book and a water bottle.