

Don't Forget:

PE kits must be in school at all times.

Homework is given on Fridays to be returned the following Tuesday.

Spellings will be given on a Friday and tested the following week.

Reading Journals are to be filled in weekly and **MUST** be brought to school daily.

Water Bottles should be brought daily.

Uniforms must be correct and clearly labelled with a permanent marker.

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Happy New Year, we hope you had a lovely break.

Our topic this term is **Rulers and Governments** due to the forthcoming general elections. We are planning to incorporate this theme across the curriculum.

Miss Sutton and Miss Tipping

English: So far this term we have focused on Stories set in imaginary worlds where the children are looking at different types of descriptive language. We will also be writing poetry, information texts, newspapers and other types of stories. Through these writing forms the children will learn to organise their writing, use descriptive language, present facts and opinions and use grammar effectively.

Maths: This term we will be covering all the main areas in maths including number, shape, data handling and measures. The children will apply their knowledge within these areas to help them solve contextualised/real life problems. Please support your child at home by helping them to practice their multiplication and division facts.

Year 4 Curriculum News

Topic: Rulers and Governments

Religious Education: The children will be exploring Hinduism this term. We will be having a Religious Education Week where we will be looking at creation stories, specifically for The Hindu belief.

French: The children will be reading, writing and speaking French. We will be looking at the story of Les Quatre Amis (the four friends), focusing on animals and verbs. After half term we will learn about places in the classroom.

Art, Design & Music: This Term in music we will have the opportunity to appreciate, listen to and compose music in a variety of forms. Art will be linked closely to our History unit, The Romans. We will be creating a Roman Banquet for our Roman Theme day as well as a Roman Sculpture using clay.

PE: Outside PE lessons will be focussing on net and wall games. Indoor sessions will be Gymnastics in which we will focus on balances and counter balances.

Science: Our topic for this half term is Sound. We will be looking at how sound travels, where it comes from and how we can change it. After half term our topic will be Animals, including humans. We will be constructing food chains, learning about the digestive system and the function of teeth.

History/Geography: We will be studying the Romans this Term and looking at the Roman Empires impact on Britain. Geography will focus on volcanoes, which we will link to the Roman city of Pompeii, and earthquakes.

ICT: This half term we will be creating a class database where the children will use a program called Purple Mash. The children will make their own surveys which they will then input into a database.