



Welcome to Class 4's Autumn Newsletter

I hope that you have all had a lovely holiday and are ready to start the new school year. This newsletter will hopefully cover any questions that you may have about your child's new class, but if there is anything else you would like to know please contact Mrs Cooper, Mrs Wellstood or the school office. Our

Class Story, which you can access via Class DoJo, will be regularly updated with photographs and other information.

Weekly diary

Monday	- P.E. kits needed
Tuesday	- Homework to be returned to school
Wednesday	
Thursday	- Homework to go home tonight - Swimming kit needed
Friday	- Spellings to be returned to school - New spellings to go home

Literacy

We will begin this year by writing stories, newspaper reports, poems and playscripts. Throughout the term, we will also continue to focus on developing the children's understanding of English grammar, punctuation and spelling. Most of the children's homework will be based on one of these areas.

Reading

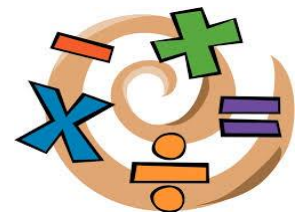


This term we will be developing our understanding of interpreting texts and selecting evidence to support our opinions. In order to support your child's reading at home, your child will have a reading book to read at home. Please try to listen to your child read their book at least 3

times a week and leave a comment in their reading record. **Reading folders need to be in school every day.**

Numeracy

We will begin this term by developing our written methods for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. Other areas will include: the properties of 2D and 3D shapes, fractions, decimals and percentages, statistics and time.



SATs

The Year 6 children will be completing their SATs in the week beginning 14th May 2018.

Other subjects

This term our class will be covering the Vikings as our history topic and this will be our theme for many of our other lessons. This will link to our work in D&T, which will give the children the chance to design a Viking long ship, and art, where we will design Viking jewellery and a seascape painting. In computing, we will produce an animation and learn about keeping safe online. In geography, we will be focusing on volcanoes and earthquakes. In science, we will learn about lifecycles and the classification of plants and animals. Our Spanish topic will be looking at calendars and clothing. During this term, we will be learning about why people use rituals in their lives as part of our RE lessons. Details about trips and other events will follow.

PE



Our PE lessons will take place on a Monday and a Thursday. The main focus will be invasion games and swimming. Depending on the weather, our lessons may take place on the school yard or in the school hall. **It is therefore essential that your child has suitable trainers for every PE lesson. PE kits should be left in school for each half term.**

Your child will need to have:

- Trainers,
- A pair of tracksuit bottoms or shorts
- A t-shirt

Homework

Your child will be given two pieces of homework each week (literacy and numeracy). Homework will be given out on a Thursday and it needs to be returned to school by the following Tuesday. Please make sure your child brings their completed homework to school in their homework folder.

Spellings

It is really important for your child to learn their spellings at home, as well as in school. They will be given a rule to learn each week and 4/5 spellings which follow this rule. The children are then expected to deepen their understanding of other spellings which follow this rule.

The aim of this is to encourage children to be able to apply these rules to help them with spelling a wider range of more challenging words. New spellings will go home on a Friday. Please return your spelling book to school by the Friday of each week.

