Class 4 Autumn Newsletter

Dates

23.9.26 Class 4 Mass at Scathingwell

28.9.26 Class 4 trip to The Dig and Jorvik

2.10.26 Celebration liturgy

23.10.26 INSET day

WELCOME BACK!

Hello! I hope that you all had a fantastic summer break and I am really looking forward to getting to know you all (if you are new to Class 4) and to working with your children.

If you have any questions, please feel free to catch me first thing on a morning or the end of the day. Any further questions, please email the school office.

Swimming will be on a Tuesdays for our Year 4 children (please send them in their P.E. kit) and Year 5 will have a P.E session at the same time. They will also have a P.E. session on Thursday afternoons. Please send children in their PE kits on these days. If the weather is particularly hot, please send a sunhat into school and apply sun cream before school.

English

This half term, we will be learning about newspapers and writing our own based on Charlotte's Web by E.B White. We will also be working non-chronological reports later in the half term.

We will have daily whole-class guided reading with a focus on vocabulary and retrieval questions, but we will also include elements of inferential understanding our text.

In the second half term, we will be focusing on other cultures and imaginary worlds using the Firework Maker's Daughter by Philip Pullman focusing on story writing. We will then move onto poetry exploring form and poetic style.

English homework

- Please ensure children read at least three times a week at home and record this in their planners.
- Formal English homework will continue to be sent on Mondays usually with a hand-in date of Friday.

Mathematics

We will be working through the White Rose Maths scheme, focusing on place value followed by addition, subtraction, multiplication, division and then length and perimeter. We will also develop our work on problem solving and reasoning.

Maths homework

- Please ensure times tables are practised regularly on TTRS- this will be monitored weekly. It will help ensure recall is rapid (Y4- in preparation for the official government Multiplication Tables Check).
- Formal maths homework will to sent on Mondays with hand-in on Fridays.

RE

This term we are starting our new scheme of work provided by the diocese called Lighting the Path. During this term we will be working on the story of Abraham and his covenant with God and the historical importance of his descendants. We will go onto look at how Abraham was the foundation of the faith of the people of the old testament.

Science

This term children will be looking at forces In and will look at how unsupported objects fall towards the Earth because of the force of gravity acting between the Earth and the falling object. They will identify the effects of air resistance, water resistance and friction and then go on to recognise that some mechanisms, including levers, pulleys and gears, allow a smaller force to have a greater effect.

History and Geography

This half term we will be learning about the Vikings and what life was like in Jorvik (York) during this time. We will think about how they gained control of the Jorvik and visit the The Dig and the Jorvik museum on 28th September. In the second half term will look at the geography of the United Kingdom and the physical features of mountains, rivers and seas and then the man-made administrative regions and counties.

Computing

During the first term the children will work on a unit called iCommunicate and will explore the big question for the half term: "Can computers think?" They will learn about the different generations of artificial intelligence and how it has developed into the technology we know today. Pupils will examine the role of AI in their everyday lives.

French

This term we will be continuing to follow the iLangauges scheme of work and develop our spoken French, developing vocabulary and begin to write in French. We will develop our understanding of French grammar and start to speak and write sentences.

Music

This term we will be looking at a wide range of musical styles and we will be working on our singing, musical notation and working on dynamics with our singing teacher from the diocese singing teacher.

PSHE

We are starting our new scheme of work with Module One: Created and Loved by God which explores the individual teaching that we are made in the image and likeness of God, it helps children to develop an understanding of the importance of valuing themselves as the basis for personal relationships.

Thank you for your continued support

Mr. D. Tuck (teacher) and Mrs L. Ward (TA)