

Class 4 Curriculum News Letter

Welcome back and welcome to Year 6! It has been so lovely to see everyone back today and exciting to have a sole year 6 class this year.

This letter will let you know about your child's learning for the autumn term. If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to get in contact.

Maths – This term the children will be continuing their learning of place value, addition and subtraction, multiplication and division, fractions and geometry. Each day children will begin the day with arithmetic to sharpen those core frequency skills and then a maths lesson where more in-depth reasoning and problem solving will be completed.

English – During this term class 4 will be focusing particularly on the punctuation and grammar associated with year 6 to make sure they are experts in using this independently as the year continues. We will be learning this in discrete sessions and within the wider context of different text types. These will include stories, diary entries, newspaper reports, descriptive passages, poetry and letters.

Humanities – Across our school we will be examining the theme of Monarchy during the autumn terms. In Class 4 we will be looking to answer the question 'Who has the Power?'. Each week we will be looking at significant monarchs in our history and how power shifts between monarch parliament and the people. We will begin with William the Conqueror and an absolute monarchy and move through to the constitutional monarchy we have today.

Science – This term our science we have a biology focus and will be looking at the healthy bodies. We will examine the circulatory system, the heart and lungs and how these work together to move our bodies. We will also look at positive and negative influences on the body. After half term we will move onto looking at changes and reproduction in animals and plants.

Computing – In computing this term we will focus on coding with the children producing their own times tables games using scratch.

Art/DT – Our first term will be looking at portraiture and relating it to how they can tell a story about the subject. Children will examine historical portraits and infer the meanings of them before composing their own. We will have DT in the second half of the autumn term and will be focusing on textiles.

RE – In RE class 4 will be studying the old testament and what Christians believe about Agape.

PE – PE this term will be netball and handball. PE will be on a Monday with me and a Friday with Mr Rice. We will be continuing with wearing our PE kit to school as we have found this gives us more focused PE time.

PSHE – Our topics this term will be Our Happy School and Out and About.

Music – Mr Mitchel we will be taking music, learning new songs and examining rhythms.

Homework – Homework will be uploaded onto google classes each week. Like last year homework will be given on a Monday and collected in on a Friday. Each week children will have one or two set pieces and will be expected to learn their weekly spellings and read. This should be done at least three times a week. Please sign your child's reading diary and make sure they have it in school on a Friday to be checked – children will receive monster points for having read with a parent's signature.

I will send with this letter a copy of our class timetable. Mrs Merrett will teach the class on a Tuesday afternoon, Mr Mitchel for music and Mr Rice for one PE lesson on a Friday. The rest of the time the class is taught by Mrs Byrne with Mrs Hallett.

If you would like your child to be released from the playground without an adult present for them – either to walk home or to the car park – please fill in the permission form (on google classroom on Tuesday) and send it to the school office on NortonSH@educ.somerset.gov.uk.

Information on clubs can be found on the google classroom post from Mr Caswell..

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs Byrne