Year 4's Spring 1 Newsletter



Dear Parents / Guardians,

I hope that you all had an enjoyable break! I would like to take this opportunity to inform you of the children's learning over the coming half-term.



Religious Education

In Religion, our topic is 'Community'. We will be looking at what it means to be part of a small school community and also a wider parish community.





In English we will begin by looking at the poem 'The Roman Centurion's Song' by Rudyard Kipling. We will then move onto looking at the historical narrative 'Escape from Pompeii' by Christina Balit. Within this, we will look at mastering including speech within our writing, with a focus on speech verbs.

Maths

In Maths, we are starting by continuing our Multiplication and Division topic, focusing on multiplying and dividing 2 and 3 digit numbers by a 1 digit number. We will then be moving onto Length and Perimeter, looking at measuring in metres and kilometres.



If you can please continue to look through the weekly arithmetic papers that are coming home with your child then this would be appreciated. A way that you could help your child 'beat their score' is by going through basic addition, subtraction, multiplication and division sums at home.

We are also continuing to practice our times tables as much as possible in preparation for the MTC check in June, so we do encourage children to practice these at home where possible!

Science

This half term we will be learning about States of Matter. We will start by looking at the properties of solids, liquids and gases, and then move onto melting and freezing points. We will finish by looking at the different stages of the water cycle, including condensation and evaporation.





P.E

The children will continue to have 1 session of P.E a week, which is on a Friday. Remember that your child needs to come to school in their P.E kit on a Friday (White t-shirt, black shorts or leggings/joggers, black trainers/pumps and their school jumper).



The children will also continue to go swimming on a Thursday afternoon. Please remember that your child will need to bring their swimming kits on this day (swimwear and a towel). Swimming is compulsory in Year 4, so if there is a reason why your child cannot attend one week then please let myself or the school office know at the start of the school day.

Geography

Our Geography unit is focusing on 'Our European Neighbours'. We will start by looking at longitude, latitude and the hemispheres of the Earth. We will then move onto identifying different countries within Europe and their flags, with a special focus on Spain. We will also look at comparing 2 different European capital cities, and their human and physical features.

Art

In Art, our topic is painting 'Lights and Darks'. Throughout this topic, we will be looking at tints and shades, and looking at different ways we can make our paintings look three-dimensional.

Spanish

In Spanish, our topic will be looking at different 'Vegetables'.

Thank you for your continued home support! If you ever have any queries about your child's school life, please don't hesitate to ask.

Kind regards,

Miss Bowden

