## Welcome to Year 4 Autumn Term 2023



A very warm welcome to all parents and carers of children in Year 4. We are sure your child is going to have a wonderful year with us. Please find below lots of useful information about the new term. If you have any questions or if there is anything you are unsure about please don't hesitate to contact us via email. We are looking forward to working closely with you and your child and we value your continued support.

Class Teachers	4G Miss Garbett 4H Miss Horsfield
Teaching Assistants	Mrs Donovan, Mrs Fisher, Mrs Sykes-Ellis, Mrs Thacker
Important Dates	Swimming every Thursday staring 14th September until February half term.
Homework	<ul> <li>Reading: 10-15 minutes every day</li> <li>Spellings: weekly practice and test in school.</li> <li>A piece of either maths, English or topic-related work will be handed out every Friday to be handed in by the following Wednesday, starting 15th September.</li> <li>Regular times tables practice on Times Tables Rockstars with weekly tests in school.</li> </ul>
Home School Diary	Your child has a brand new Home School Diary with lots of important information in. Please help your child look to after this and remember to bring it into school every day.
PE	<ul> <li>Swimming every Thursday afternoon—please ensure your child has their kit.</li> <li>4H Tuesdays with Mr Maylard-Mason</li> <li>4G Fridays with Mr Maylard-Mason</li> <li>Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school every day just in case there is a timetable change.</li> </ul>
English	Our English lessons will be based around Poppy Waldo and the Giant which is continuing our Talk for Writing English scheme that the school started last year. After half term we will be starting non-fiction work on information texts.
Maths	This half term we will be focusing on place value; we will be learning how to order and com- pare larger numbers, round numbers and we will find out about negative numbers and the Roman Numeral system. We will then move on to addition and subtraction calculations, fol- lowed by some work on multiplication and division.
History	In history, we are covering the earliest history of Britain, charting the changes from the Stone Age to the Iron Age and looking at how we can understand history without any written evidence through places and artefacts.
Science	Our topic is electricity; the children will have lots of practical work and chances to apply their knowledge to a design project in order to build a good understanding of circuits. We will also cover the safety issues associated with electricity.
Computing	Our computing sessions will cover programming in scratch.
Art/DT	DT will be linked to our electricity topic, with the children designing and making a lit device. We will be learning about cave art and the development of painting linked to our history topic.
PSHE	Our PSHE topics this term are Being Me in My World and Celebrating Differences. These themes are explored in the classroom and through whole school assemblies.
RE	In Autumn term we are learning about Caring and Praying as a multi-faith study and Jewish celebrations.
French/Music	French will be taught by Mrs Broster and music by Mr Parnell every Friday.