

**Spring Term 2021
(Year 4)**

Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope that you and your family are well and enjoyed the Christmas break.

We would like to share with you an overview of the term ahead. In maths, we will be looking at multiplication and division, as well as understanding and comparing fractions. When multiplying and dividing numbers, we will use both mental and written methods. Children can login in at home to practice their maths using Mathletics and TT Rockstars; Mathletics is certainly beneficial to children as we will be setting specific activities linked to in school learning.

In reading sessions, we will be focusing on the book 'Anglo-Saxon Boy' by Tony Bradman. We have copies in school for the children to use, but if any child would like to bring their own in from home, this would be great. We will continue to develop our understanding on different types of comprehension questions (which we call VIPERS) and practising these. During the second part of the Spring term, we will be reading the book, 'The Firework Maker's Daughter' by Philip Pullman. The texts will be used to support us with our writing, as we write non-chronological reports, diary entries, setting descriptions and persuasive writing.

In history lessons this term, children will be learning about Britain's settlement by Anglo-Saxons. Children will describe the reasons for their settlement and the changes in their communities. In geography, we will develop our understanding on the names and locations of counties and cities of the UK, geographical regions and their identifying human and physical characteristics, key topological features and land use patterns.

Please remember...

Full PE kits must be brought into school on your child's PE day. Children need to wear Ribbon kit which consists of a black hoody and jersey bottoms.

It's vitally important that your child practices their reading at home and brings their reading book to school every day – please support your child to clock-up their reading miles!

School Holidays in the Autumn Term 2021

School closes for Half term – Friday 12th February @ 3.30pm

School reopens – Monday 22nd February @ 9.00am

School closes for Easter – Friday 26th March @ 3.30pm

School reopens – Monday 12th April @ 9.00am

We strongly discourage holidays taken during term time. For more information, please contact Mrs K Maddison (Family Support Advisor) via main reception.

Kindest regards,

Miss Goodman, Mrs Dixon and Miss Smith (Year 4 Team).