

Welcome to Year 4



Introducing the Year 4 Team:

Mrs Wilson - Class Teacher

Miss Oates - HLTA, teaching Wednesday mornings (PE, Art)

Mrs Pearson - Teaching assistant (English focus)

Mrs Dixon - Teaching Assistant (Maths focus)



Dear Parents/Guardians

Welcome to a new school year! I hope you've all had a lovely summer break. It was lovely to see the children all smiley and eager to start in their new class.

We are looking forward to a great year ahead and have lots of wonderful and exciting learning opportunities coming up over the next year.

Our first topic is called 'Sparks Might Fly' and is all about Electricity. Please see our topic web which will tell you more about what we will be learning in each subject area over the next half term.

We have some fun activities to do around our new topic including recording a HFTV (Holy Family TV) programme all about where electricity comes from, experimenting with batteries, bulbs and buzzers to make circuits and using this knowledge to make a light up game, device, or moving toy.

Websites

Here are some links to websites relating to this term's work which you might find interesting:

www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/

www.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk/maths/

www.mathszone.co.uk

www.supermathsworld.com

<http://resources.woodlands.kent.sch.uk/revision/Science/electricity.htm>

Class Information

Monday: Spelling homework will be given out and these will be tested the following Monday (yes, children, you have a week to learn them, so no excuses about football practise!)

Wednesday: Miss Oates will be teaching in the morning. For this half term, she will teach handwriting, PE and Art/DT. Please remember to have your PE kit in school on this day.

Thursday: Swimming lessons began on 7th September. Our lessons run from 2.30-3pm at Fulwood Leisure Centre and we return to school at 3.30pm. Please remember to bring your swimming kit.

Fridays: Homework will be given in the form of a half termly grid, which allows children to choose tasks related to our topic and is designed to inspire them. Children should return completed homework tasks to school on Fridays. Class Dojo points will be given for each piece of homework completed.

Reading Books

Reading books will be changed by Mrs Pearson on Monday mornings. Each child will be given two reading books to keep for the week. Children will be heard reading in the mornings and also through guided reading lessons. It is expected that children will read at home daily. Please sign your child's reading record and write a note of anything you wish to tell us about your child's reading progress.

Finally, please feel free to call in and see me if there is anything you would like any further information or if there is anything you would like to discuss.