



# NEWSLETTER YEAR 4



SUMMER TERM 2021

## OUR THEME THIS TERM IS:

### How can we live more sustainably?

In our geography topic we will look at how the world has changed since plastic was introduced and the problems it now faces. Complications relating to the abundance of plastic waste will be considered and written about firstly in poetry to express feelings then over the term a biography of an important conservationist or campaigner, letter to a supermarket and an additional story chapter will follow.

**Science** in the first half term we will be exploring changes in states of matter from solids to liquids to gases. Later it will be work on sound travelling.

#### Reading:

Guided reading in class will continue to be a focus. Pupils will also have individual books to enjoy and read at home and these need to be recorded in their reading record book. Children need to write a book review for each book read.

**PSHE** We will be spending time on living in the wider world and understanding our place in it.

**Art** will be focusing on using recycled products and those not able to be recycled to create art.

**Maths** this term will include: money, time, statistics and geometry. We will also recap strategies and methods previously used.

French focuses on stories and weather.

**Music** involves using instruments to improvise along to a song and understanding the effect that may have on the listener.

RE focuses on the Kingdom of God (Pentecost) for Christians as well as how and why people mark the significant events of life.

**History**  
Linked to our geography and science topics looking at timelines of events and their significance to the world today.

**P.E and Games:**  
**PE** lessons are on **Tuesdays** and **Games** lessons are on **Fridays**. Please ensure your child has the appropriate kit, black shorts and a white t-shirt for PE and a warm jumper and black jogging bottoms, or similar, to combat any cold weather during games. **Waterproof trainers are required** for the field. (No plimsolls needed as work in the hall is always barefoot). Please ensure children can take out earrings (and put them back in) for sports lessons, or do not wear them for that day. Long hair must be tied back.

**Homework:**  
Year 4 can expect 20 minutes each evening. Pupils will be expected to **read regularly** and **learn times tables and spellings**. There will be an English linked, History, Geography or Science task and a Maths worksheet every week. Homework is due (and given out) each **Friday**. Children have in the past found that plastic wallets with zips or poppers help to keep the work neat and clean. Every week there **must be a parent signature on each sheet** even if no homework has been completed, to show parents have seen what should be done.

**Your child's individual maths and English targets are attached to the back of this sheet.**

Any questions, please do call the office to speak to me or catch me over the fence after school.

Mrs Strawbridge