

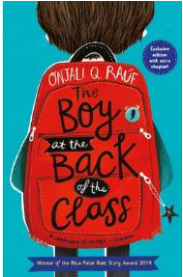
Year 4 Newsletter: Spring 1

Welcome to Spring 1, in Year 4.

We hope you have had a relaxing break, a great start to the New Year and are ready for the spring term.

- A reminder that the staff in Year 4 are **Mr Rosebury** and **Mr Stowell** who will be teaching Year 4 Kites and **Miss Greenall**, who will be teaching Year 4 Harriers. They will both be assisted by **Mrs. Croft**.
- **PE Days are Tuesday and Thursday.** Children should come in full PE Kit on both days and on most Thursdays bring the correct swimming equipment in a separate bag.
 - **Homework** will continue to be **given out on a Friday** and **be expected to be completed by Wednesday.** The homework will focus on supporting children with their times tables. At times, some simple English or Maths revision may be sent home.
- **AR books** will continue to come home on a continuous cycle when the previous book is brought back. Please make sure that your child's book is returned at least once a week.

Please see below for a summary of the curriculum for this half-term:



In English:

Children will have read to them 'The Boy at the Back of the Class' by Onjali Q. Rauf in class. The children will each have a copy to read a long with. The children will be completing various fiction and non-fiction writing tasks based on the book. They will continue to work on their handwriting and spelling.

In Maths:

Children will continue to work on their multiplication and division before they learn how to find the length and perimeter of a shape. It is important that children are still spending time recalling their multiplication tables in preparation for the national multiplication check at the end of the year.

In PSHE:

Children will discuss the wider community, including the meaning and benefits of living in a community. They will think about what makes a community and the various communities they belong to outside of school.

Design Technology:

The children will follow the design, make and evaluate process to design a book with moving parts that would be suitable for Year 2 child. The children will then make their product before evaluating it.

In PE:

Children will go swimming on a Thursday at Palatine Leisure Centre. On a Tuesday, they will be learning the skills of handball and applying this to games.

In RE:

Children will revisit the Buddha's teachings and dive deeper into the lessons that the Buddha tried to teach others. They will explore whether the Buddha's teachings would make the world a better place.

In Computing:

Children will be looking at spreadsheets and the different features. Children will learn about how to format cells, how to use a spreadsheet to model a real-life situation and how to combine tools to make spreadsheet activities.

In Music:

Children will learn the very beginnings of how to play the ukulele with Blackpool Music Service. Children will listen and appraise 'Mamma Mia' by ABBA, a timeless 70s pop song, and a variety of other hits by ABBA. Children will continue to learn about the different dimensions of music (such as rhythm, tempo, pulse, pitch) throughout the unit. Children will learn to sing the song.

Science:

In Science, children will be learning all about states of matter. Children will gain an understanding of all areas of states of matter including how materials can change from one state to another.

States of Matter



In Geography:

In Geography, the children will be learning all about migration and immigration. They will learn about what migration is and how it has affected the UK's population. Children will think about where people have migrated from and the reasons why.