

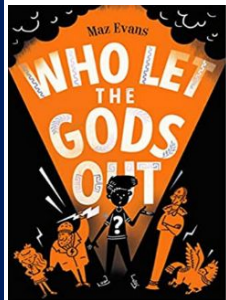
Year 4 Newsletter: Summer 1

Welcome to Summer 1 in Year 4.

We hope you have had a relaxing Easter break and are ready for the next half-term.

- A reminder that the staff in Year 4 are **Mr Rosebury**, who will be teaching Year 4 Falcons alongside **Miss Cartmell** who remains with us until the end of the year and **Miss Greenall**, who will be teaching Year 4 Owls. They will continue to be assisted by **Mrs. Reid and Mrs. Pektus**.
- **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**. It will be simple English and Maths revision of previous learning and should be completed independently where possible. We are continuing with a focus on times tables for Maths in preparation for the multiplication check.
- **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 'Who Let the Gods Out?' by Maz Evans as their whole class read. If anyone wants to bring their own copy in to read along with, they can do so. They will continue to work on their handwriting and spelling. The children will be looking closely at writing to create suspense as well as instruction writing.

In Maths:

Children will continue to extend their place value knowledge as they work with decimals including comparing and ordering with decimal numbers. Children will apply this knowledge whilst learning about money, how to write money using decimals and converting between pounds and pence. They will also learn about time, both analogue and digital. It is still vital that children are recalling their times tables as much as possible ready for the Multiplication Check.

In PSHE:

Children will focus on Health and Wellbeing including taking care of their own physical health, growing and changing and keeping safe.

In Design and Technology:

The focus for Design and Technology this half term is food. Children will discover what food was like during ancient Greece and will have the opportunity to make their own Greek Salad.

In PE:

Children will continue to go swimming on a Thursday at Palatine Leisure Centre. During their PE lessons on a Tuesday, children will take part in athletics activities. They will learn how to perform a variety of throwing actions at a range of distances.

In RE:

Children will build on their prior learning of Buddhism as they explore the 8-fold path in more detail.



In Science:

Children will become more familiar with the plants and animals in their local and wider environments. They will learn how to identify a range of plants and animals and how to classify organisms. They will consider why organisms live in different habitats and the positive and negative impacts that humans have on the environment.

In Computing:

This half-term will focus on Logo and Hardware Investigators. Children will understand the different parts that make up a computer and the different functions that each part has. Children will learn about the difference between Hardware and Software.

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.



In History: Children will learn about one of the most fascinating civilisations in history as they explore ancient Greece. Children will learn about the everyday life of ancient Greeks and how their legacy shapes the world we live in today.

