

# Year 4 Newsletter

## Middleton Parish Church School

Autumn 1 2022

### Reading

This half term in reading, children will read a variety of different texts to answer retrieval comprehension questions.

### Writing

In writing, we will be using our knowledge of Romans from History to write a dairy entry of a Roman Soldier.



### Reading

#### Class Novel

This half term we will be reading 'Survivor – Escape from Pompeii' which tells the story of a young boy fleeing Pompeii as Mount Vesuvius erupts.

#### Reading Books and GOREad!

Our new class libraries have been set and are ready to go for the year ahead and all children should now have a reading book.

Should children have a home reading book they would like to read, please send it into school for teachers to check it provides enough challenge to support progression in reading – teachers will then add this book to GOREad.

Adults in school will read with all children at least once a week. We ask that children read at home daily.

All reading should be recorded on GOREad in order for children to earn maximum gems! Problem words/new vocabulary can be added on go read alongside in vocabulary books.



### Homework

Each week, your child will be set spelling and times table challenges. These are sent home in their homework book. Please ensure your child practices these at home alongside their daily reading. Reading should be logged onto go read by parents or themselves.

Times table challenges are also set on the TTRockstars website alongside weekly competitions. It is important that the children learn all their tables this year using instant recall. They are assessed at the end of the year as part of a government statutory test known as the Multiplication Check.

### Science

Our science topic this term is 'Living things and their habitats'. Children will learn how to classify animals using classification keys.



### Contacting Us

If you need to talk to contact a member of the year 4 team please do not hesitate to send us an email.

Our class email address is

[year4@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk](mailto:year4@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk)

Please note that although we will endeavour to get back to you as soon as possible, it may take up to five working days.

### Important Dates

19<sup>th</sup> September – Sports Week

28<sup>th</sup> September Sports Day

12<sup>th</sup> October – Sports Day

Where needed, more information about these upcoming events will be communicated via Class Dojo.

### History

In History, we will be studying the Romans with a large focus on the Roman Army. We will study the life and times of a Roman soldier, looking at a timeline and a range of Historical sources.

### P.E and Forest School

P.E and Forest School will be on a Friday for Year 4. Children should ensure they wear the correct outdoor uniform on a Friday. The children will need a light waterproof jacket with a hood.

### PSHE

Our Heart Smart topic is 'Get HeartSmart.' In this topic, we are thinking about how the children can make heart smart decisions. We will also learn when it is ok to keep a secret and when secrets should not be kept and an adult should be told.



### Religious Education

In R.E, we are looking at the topic, 'God, David and the Psalms'. Children will learn the importance of David in the bible and retell many stories associated with him.



### Maths

In maths this half term, children will be looking at place value and rounding. We will learn at how to answer these question types in an arithmetic style and how to pull them apart using 'what do you notice' and 'what do we know' in order to answer reasoning questions.

