# Year 4 Newsletter

# **Middleton Parish Church School**

#### <u>English</u>

This half term in reading, children will read a variety of different texts to answer a range of different style comprehension questions. We will pay particular focus on answering questions, which require the children to give pieces of evidence from a text.

#### Writing

In writing, we will be writing some poetry based on our Rivers theme. We will also be writing Non-Chronological Reports about rivers and their functions.



#### Outdoor Shoes

To ensure all children can engage fully in our playtime provision, we ask that old, sturdy trainers and a pair of football/walking/thick socks are brought into school in a plastic bag. These shoes will be used for Forest School and field games such as football. Ideally, we ask that these are left in school Mon-Fri.



#### <u>Science</u>

Our science topic this term is will focus on Child –led Investigations. This will be an opportunity to build our knowledge and science vocabulary using fair testing and science observations. We will look at data analysis, graphs and the meaning behind our results.



### <u>Reading</u>

**Class Novel** 

This half term we will be reading Great Rivers of the World.

They will also be reading a class book; Rooftoppers by Katherine Rundell. Found floating in a cello case in the middle of the English Channel after a shipwreck on her first birthday, Sophie seems to be marked out for an unconventional existence.

#### **Reading Books and GORead!**

Children have been loving our replenished class library and will continue to select books from it, with the guidance of the teaching team.

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.



#### **Contacting Us**

If you need to talk to Mr Brown or Mr Aspden, please do not hesitate to send us an email. Our class email address is year4@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk

#### Important Dates

Monday 13th June: Back to School. 20th to 24th June pupils will be doing their multiplication checks. 17th June is National Childhood Day. Transition days to new classes are 21st June, 28th June, 5th July, 12th July and 19th July. 30th June is Christian Distinctiveness Day. Saturday 2nd July Family Forest School 10am – 12:00 noon. 13th July Class Clinic – meet your child's new teacher. 15th July pupil reports sent out. 20th July presentation evening. Friday 22nd July School closes at 2pm.

## Summer 2 2022

#### <u>Geography</u>

In geography, we will be learning all about the function of rivers in the environment., We will also identify rivers on a map and how rivers impact the lives of people. We will look at how rivers are formed and we will learn about different river features such as meandering, waterfalls and rapids.

#### P.E and Forest School

P.E and Forest School will be back on a Friday for Year 4. Children should ensure they wear the correct outdoor kit on a Friday and bring their wellies in a named plastic carrier bag.

#### PSHE

Our Heart Smart topic is 'Fake is a Mistake. 'We will be learning how it is important to be true to ourselves in our choices. We will look at the characteristics of friendships, including mutual respect, truthfulness, trustworthiness, loyalty, and kindness.



#### **Religious Education**

In R.E. we are looking at the topic 'What is Prayer? We will be learning all about why people pray, it's function and how as Christians believe that God is listening at all times. We will also be creating prayers and looking at prayer in other religions.



#### <u>Maths</u>

In maths this half term, children will continue to learn about charts and graphs, interpreting data and using statistics. We will look at properties of shape and position and direction in Geometry.

We are continuing to practise our times tables and your support with this at home is very important as we prepare the children for the multiplication check, which will take place in Week 2 Summer 2.

