Rodbourne Cheney Primary School

Class Newsletter: Year 4 Term 2

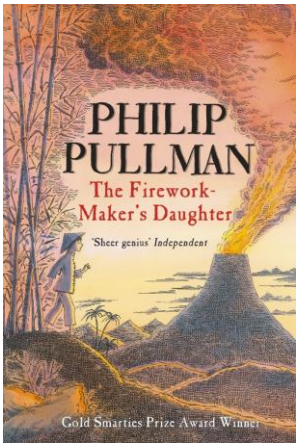
Date: Monday 2nd November 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, I would like to take this opportunity to say a huge well done to the children for a fantastic first term and demonstrating excellent attitudes to learning. I am excited to welcome them back in Term 2.

The children completed a range of wonderful learning across all subjects. In English, we loved the animation 'Taking Flight' to write dazzling diary entries. The children learned a lot about the Vikings including where they came from, why they came to Britain and how they punished those who committed crimes. In Art, the children developed their sketching skills before creating a finished collage piece based on Matisse's 'Painting with Scissors'. In Science, we focused on states of matter, and lots of time in Maths was devoted to place value and geometry. A range of super learning also took place across many other subjects.

To see what learning we will be completing in Term 2, you will receive a Topic Web alongside this letter. Our reading and topic text will be 'The Firework-maker's Daughter' and our text to inspire writing will be 'The Barnabus Project'. We will also read some non-fiction texts on Asia and Volcanoes and write about an animation called 'The Gift'.





Our Values this term are ‘Equality’ and ‘Hope’. As always, we will also continue to make sure our three school rules of ‘Be Safe, Be Kind, Be Respectful’ are upheld.

Thank you for your support with the children’s home learning in Term 1. Home Learning, will continue to be set each **Friday,** to be handed in and marked the following **Thursday,** It will be based on prior learning and used as a way of consolidating what the children have already been taught; reading, weekly spellings and times tables. It remains our expectation that the children read regularly at home and record what they read in their Reading Records (four times a week in total, twice to an adult); thank you again for your support with this.

PE will be taught on **Mondays** and **Thursdays.** Children should continue to come into school in their PE kits on these days. Children should wear PE uniform only (Blue/Black Tracksuit Bottoms or Shorts, White PE Top, Blue or Black PE Track-Top or School Jumper, Trainers). We will aim to be outside as much as possible so ensuring that the children have suitable layers is vitally important. Children should also bring in a refillable water bottle each day.

Finally, another huge well done to the children for such a super start to the school year. I am very much looking forward to another great term ahead. Please don’t hesitate to get in touch with me via email (habrown@rodbournecheney.swindon.sch.uk) or the school office if you have any questions or concerns.

Best wishes and looking forward to Term 2.

Miss Brown