

### **Parental Support:**

As you are already aware, it is extremely important that our children are reading every night at home. We would like to thank you and ask that parents and carers continue to listen to the children reading each night for 5-10 minutes. Please ask children questions about the pages they have read to strengthen their reading skills and deepen their understanding of the book.

The children must log on to TT Rock stars and use this daily to help with pace and recall of times tables. Again, thank you for your continued support, it is very much appreciated.

### **Swimming:**

Swimming will no longer take place on a Thursday for Year 4 until the week commencing June 6<sup>th</sup> 2026.

### **PE:**

PE takes place on a Friday. The children need to attend school in their full PE kit on this day. This includes a white polo shirt and black shorts.

### **Literacy:**

This half term, we are taking inspiration from Philip Ridley's 'Krindlekrax' to produce our pieces of writing. This term, children will develop their writing by producing a letter and a character description. In the following half term, with a focus on poetry, we will be taking inspiration from Maya Angelou's 'I Rise'.

### **Sounds-write**

Year 4 are currently focusing on sounds that have more than one spelling. Weekly spellings will be sent home on a Monday linked to this sound. Children will be tested on a Friday.

### **Science:**

Throughout this half term, we are focusing on Animals including Humans. Children will take part in practical investigations to help embed their conceptual knowledge and practise scientific enquiry skills.

### **RE:**

We are currently working on the topic of Pentecost, exploring how the Holy Spirit brought courage and new life through the Good News of Jesus. We will study key bible stories, and the children will reflect on remembering, celebrating and responding on how the message of Easter continues to be shared.

### **Music:**

Year 4 the children are focusing on listening and appraising and performing. The children are going to be focusing on performing music this term.

### **Numeracy:**

In Numeracy, Year 4 are focusing on decimal and money. Children will develop their understanding of decimal numbers and apply this knowledge to solving money-related problems.

### **Reading:**

We are reading Philip Ridley's 'Krindlekrax' as our class novel. Within Guided Reading, Year 4 are continuously revisiting and practising key reading skills that are vital for helping us progress as confident readers.

**DT:** In DT, the children are learning to design and make a greetings card with moving parts. They will explore simple mechanisms such as levers and linkages developing their skills in cutting, joining and assembling.

### **Geography:**

During the summer term, for geography we will be exploring Europe. The children will explore famous landmarks across the continent, examine climate patterns and compare cultural similarities and differences between countries.

### **French:**

We are continuing to develop children's understanding of basic French.

