



# Year 4 Term 2 Newsletter

## Welcome to Term 2

Term 2! That first term has flown by. The children settled quickly into Year 4 and have completed some fantastic learning. We look forward to meeting you all in the Term 2 Parent's Evening.

Upon their return to school, we hope the children will be pleased to be able to catch up with friends and share their experiences and adventures from the half term break.

We return to a busy term and the exciting lead up to Christmas.

	The Barnabas Project
	The Gift

This book will form the basis of our Writing lessons and will support the children to produce some high-quality writing. This term, we will focus our writing around the text The Barnabas project and the animation The Gift with the children writing an character description and writing a persuasive letter at the end of the non - fiction unit. Within the lessons we will look at a variety of skills. In Reading, we will use the text The Firemaker's Daughter.

In Geography we will focussing our learning on rivers, we will be looking at physical and natural features of a river.

Our Science focus is 'States of Matter' and we will explore particles , heating and cooling of gases and the evaporation process.

In online safety, we will be learning about online bullying. In our main computing lesson, the children will be using the app Audicity where they will record sounds, add layered sounds, learn how to change the volume of each sound and be able to edit their recordings.

Within maths this term we will teach properties of shape, Addition and Subtraction: mental methods, Number and Place Value and Problem Solving. We will continue to focus on multiplication tables. Please keep practising at home.

Homework will continue to be given out on a Friday and will be due in on the following Wednesday. It will be 5 reads in the reading record, one multiplication page and spellings on alternative weeks there will be a piece of maths or English homework. The spelling homework will follow the weekly focus. The children will be tested on the words on a weekly basis. We would like children to read at home at least 5 times per week. This should be recorded in reading records please.

In art, the children will be inspired by the artists William Morris and Iwan Tirta and how they use print. They will then learn the technique of Batik.

This term we welcome our French teacher from Ridgeway Secondary School, who will continue to teacher the children French.

Many thanks for your continued support! We look forward to sharing a fantastic term with you all!

Mrs Knight. Miss Cullen and Mr Little

### Meet the team

Please email if there is anything you wish to discuss

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