

# Welcome to Year 4! with Mr Mayfield and Miss **Carlton-Ware**



# September – October 2024

# Welcome to Year 4 everyone!

We hope you have all managed to have a lovely break and had a good summer. We have loved hearing about what the children have been up to this summer and have had a fantastic first couple of weeks back. This half-term, our main topic will be rivers, in which we will explore how rivers are formed and even take an exciting trip to the River Aire!

In Year 4 this year, Rob Burrow class will be taught by Mr Mayfield and be supported by Miss Ramzan. Frida Kahlo class will be taught by Miss Carlton-Ware, and be supported by Mrs Akhtar. All of the Year 4 adults are very excited for the coming year; please see an overview of some of our topics below.

#### **English:**

This week, your child was sent home with a reading book and planner, which includes a new way to record the home reading you do with your children. Our expectation that you read with your child at least 3 times per week is still the same, however we please ask that you sign the reading record in your child's planner instead. In school, we will be reading the exciting fictional text 'Varjak Paw' by S.F. Said. This book is always a huge hit with our pupils and I'm sure the children will be very excited to tell you all about it. We will also be using some of the book's suspenseful language to write our own suspense stories in our writing lessons.

#### Maths:

In this half term, the children will spend time learning about place value in numbers to 10,000 in their maths lessons. By the end of the half-term, they will have spent time improving their ability to compare, order and represent numbers to 10,000 in a variety of ways. In the second half of this half-term, we will move on to our addition and subtraction topic, in which the children will learn how to use a variety of written and mental methods to solve addition and subtraction problems with 4-digit numbers.

# PE Days:

Year 4 Rob Burrow Class: PE in school Wednesdays & Swimming on Fridays.

Year 4 Frida Kahlo Class: PE in school Mondays and Tuesdays

The children need to come into school on these days in their all-black PE kits.

# **Chromebooks:**

Please make sure your child's Chromebook is charged every night before they come to school. This is really important to ensure that they can access any learning that takes place on them while in school.

If you have any questions at all, please don't hesitate to get in touch. Many thanks,

# The Year 4 team 😊 **Important Dates:**



- First swimming lesson for Rob Burrow class 13<sup>th</sup> September 2024
- Parents Evening 7th October 2024
- School training day- 25th October, closed to pupils
- Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2023- School closes to pupils for the holidays
- Monday 4th November 2024 School opens to pupils for the start of the new half term

## You can help by:

- Listening to your child read at least 3 times per week and asking them questions about their texts.
- Encourage your child to practice their times tables on TT Rockstars. This is very important in Year 4!
- Practise reading and spelling the Year 3 and Year 4 common exception words.
- Helping your child with any further research they wish to do on the topics we are covering in school.

