



St Margaret's-at-Cliffe Primary School
Class 4 Newsletter
Terms 3 and 4 2023



Welcome back to the start of another new year and what is bound to be a busy term ahead!
We thank you all for your cards and gifts and hope that you have all had an enjoyable Christmas break.

English

Our writing will focus on a range of genres, including narratives, poetry, diary entries and persuasive writing. In each lesson, we will focus on the text, drawing out new language and grammatical features, before thinking about how we can use a good example of the text to write our own versions. Spelling, punctuation and grammar will continue to be taught alongside these lessons.

Maths

In our maths, we will be learning different strategies to help us with multiplication and division, as well as how to calculate the length of shapes and fractions and decimals. Each unit of work builds on our understanding to help us solve reasoning and problem solving questions.

As always, our times tables prove to be a crucial part of our maths learning. Please do keep practising these with your child.

Foundation Subjects

In Science, we will be identifying how objects change their state of matter through heating or cooling; and how sounds are made through vibrations and how these can change depending on the volume and distance from the sound source. This will also link with our music as we learn to play a few simple tunes on the recorder and sing songs for our Spring Concert. History this term, titled 'Raiders and Traders', will look at Britain's settlement by the Anglo Saxons and the Scots, learning about when and where they invaded, the importance of place names and using artefacts to explore what life was like. Our geography will compare Canterbury and Dover, which we will follow up with a trip in term 5. In DT, we will continue with sewing, as well as look at the techniques needed to prepare a pizza. Our RE asks the question 'Why are festivals important to religious communities?' and will delve into Hinduism, Muslimism and Judaism. We follow our Jigsaw Scheme of Learning for PSHE and will have the opportunity to talk about our 'Dreams and Goals' and 'Healthy Me'.

PE days will continue to be on a

Monday and Wednesday

and will be gymnastics, dance and cricket. Please do make sure that your child has the correct kit for indoor and outdoor activities, including plimsolls for gymnastics. Earrings should be removed on these days.

We have 2 local trips planned for this term which will become part of our Art lessons as we look at the styles of

Vincent Van Gogh and **George Seurat.**



We look forward to welcoming you into school on Friday 13th January 2023 for our class assembly.