



St Margaret's-at-Cliffe Primary School
Class 4 Newsletter
Terms 1 and 2 2020



Welcome to Year 4!

We had a fantastic start to our year in Class 4. The children settled happily into their new classroom layout and routines of the day. It was amazing to finally meet the children and I hope I have eased any worries or nervous feelings the children may have had due to having a teacher who is new to the school this year. Myself and Mrs Griffiths are very excited for the year ahead and cannot wait to continue your child's learning journey with them.

Miss Conway and Mrs Griffiths

Maths

Our maths lessons this term will be looking at number and place value, addition and subtraction, decimal fractions, length and money. We will also recap our times tables during starter activities to keep these fresh in our minds.

English

Our focus text for term 1 is George's Marvellous Medicine by Roald Dahl. Using this story, we will learn about and create instructions, diary entries and play scripts.

Term 2's focus text will be Romans on the Rampage which has a strong link with our history learning. Using this text, we will focus on explanations, play scripts and poetry.

Foundation Subjects

Our learning in Science this term is all about sound. We will look at how living things hear sound, how sound travels and the variety of sounds within the World today. In Geography, our learning will focus on Settlements and Land Use. Within this we will look at the different ways a piece of land is used and what settlers need from it. During History in term 2, we are going to look at what happened when the Roman came. In Art we are looking at drawings and collage work linked to sound in Science. This will include using a range of shading techniques to draw different images as well as using a variety of materials to add depth and detail. Within Design Technology we are going to make a Roman drawstring purse using different materials and techniques. In RE we will be exploring 'What can we learn from religions on deciding what is right and wrong?'. During PE this term, the children will take part in invasion games focusing on football and rugby. Please ensure your child has their trainers or plimsolls in school as these lessons will take place outside. PSHE will cover areas such as new beginnings, change, feelings/emotions and good to be me. Our Computing sessions will look at E-Safety, internet research and touch typing. Music in term 1 will focus on listening and appraising, where the children will listen to a range of music and give their thoughts and opinions as well as a focus on different musical instruments. French during term 1 will explore 'All Around Town'. During this the children will learn to discuss and understand all things related to where you live.

Just a Few Things to Remember...

- The children need to bring a named water bottle to school, as they are unable to use the water fountains. These should only contain water and I will do my best to remind the children to take them home every day for washing and refilling.
- Your child only needs to bring trainers in for PE as they are currently not getting changed for PE.
- There is currently no tuck shop due to our current situation.



Children who are reading scheme reading books will bring a home reading book every **Friday** to be returned to school on the following **Tuesday**. Children who are reading a chapter book will have this in their possession to read at home and at school until they reach the end of it. They will keep this in their tray at school during the school day so that it is handled by just themselves.

homework

Information regarding home learning will be sent out soon.

Please do ask if you have any questions about our daily routine or topics.

Many thanks

Miss Conway and Mrs Griffiths