

# St Margaret's-at-Cliffe Primary School Class 4 Newsletter Terms 5 and 6 2023





Welcome back to the summer term.

We hope you all had an egg-cellent Easter break and are ready for a whole host of summer activities!

# **English**

In our Literacy lessons, we will study narrative texts and poetry, as well as how to write a balanced argument and a recount of our school trip. We will analyse the grammatical features of the different genres and understand what makes a good model, using our own success criteria as an assessment of our writing. We will continue to learn the various rules for spelling, punctuation and grammar.

## **Maths**

In maths, we will continue to learn about fractions and decimals, followed by measurement, statistics and geometry. As part of the lessons, we will look at a range of questions that challenge our reasoning and problem solving, asking us to demonstrate our understanding. Times tables prove to be a crucial part of our maths learning. Please keep practising these at home on Times Tables Rockstars. A Multiplication Check will take place in June. Look out for further details nearer the time.

# Foundation Subjects

This term, our art and design topics will include printing and sculpture, with design technology looking at construction of a clock. As part of our learning in computing, we will find out about databases and how to create stop motion animation, while our Science will focus on the topic of electricity and how to build a simple circuit. In French, we will practise telling the time and talking about our holidays and hobbies. History will continue to focus on the Viking and Anglo-Saxon struggle for the Kingdom of England. We will learn about the time of Edward the Confessor and the importance of Christian conversion as we take a trip to Canterbury. This will be supported in our geography lessons as we understand the importance of different types of settlements and their land use and how Canterbury came to be such a busy city centre. In our Jigsaw PSHE lessons, we will discuss 'Relationships' which explores how we might feel jealous about some relationships and 'Changing Me', which considers how we are similar or different to our parents and how we develop as we become teenagers. This will be taught alongside our RE topic of 'Why do some people think life is a journey?' and significant experiences we encounter along the way.

PE days will initially be on

### Monday and Tuesday

for tennis and swimming; followed by athletics and rounders as the weather improves!

Please 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.

In term 5, we will take a trip to Canterbury as part of our geographical studies to compare one city with another, incorporating a visit to the cathedral. Our term 6 trip will be part of our Grand Day out along with the rest of the school.

Please look out for important information about summer events ... watch this space for a Singing Festival we will be taking part in!