

## Year 4 Newsletter - Autumn 2022

### **The Team**

Faraday Class - Miss Goodenough and Mrs Irma.

Parks Class - Miss Mann and Miss Barden

**PE** - please make sure that your child is wearing **suitable** PE kit every Thursday. Also make sure your child is not wearing earrings on a PE day and that long hair is tied back.

**Water Bottles** - please ensure that your child has a **named** water bottle in school every day. The children are only allowed water in their bottles please, not squash or juice.

**Reading** - regular reading in Key Stage 2 is extremely important as it benefits all areas of learning. With this in mind, we would ask that you hear your child read at home as often as possible. You can communicate with us about their reading, via their Reading Record book where we will sometimes include comprehension questions to discuss.

**Homework** - Times tables are fundamental to building confidence and success in maths during Key Stage 2 and we expect children to practise their times tables regularly at home as we will be exploring these weekly.

Please have a look at our (attached) topic web for our outline plans and areas of learning for the term.

Many thanks,  
Year 4 Team

## English

- Character and setting descriptions
- Narrative/story writing
- Diary entries
- Non-chronological reports
- Predictions and summaries
- Retrieval of key information
- Inference

## PE

- Real PE
- Gym

## ICT

- Photo editing linked to the Vikings.
- Programming and coding.

## Geography

Why is the rainforest important to me?

- South America including study of the Rainforest.
- Water cycle
- Deforestation

## Music

Mamma Mia!

- Listening and appraising music
- Musical activities including use of glockenspiels.
- Performing the song

## Grammar

- Punctuation- (Full Stops, Capital Letters, Commas, Apostrophes)
- Paragraphs
- Inverted commas and speech punctuation
- Fronted adverbials
- Expanded Noun Phrases
- Figurative language including similes and alliteration.

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## RE

- Beliefs and promises - how are promises explained in the Old Testament and where do we see them in Christianity today.
- Why are Diwali and Christmas important festivals?

## Art

Flora and Fauna

- Create sketchbooks to record their observations and use them to review and revisit ideas.
- Improve their mastery of sketching techniques using a range of materials.
- Appreciate great artists of the present and past and their technique and style of work

## Maths

- Place Value
- Written calculations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division)

## History

The Vikings

- The Vikings and Anglo-Saxon struggle for the kingdom of England to include the time of Edward the Confessor.

## Science

- States of Matter
- Digestive system
- Food chains