

## Information for the Autumn Term 2018

Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome to Year 4. We have been very impressed with the way all the children have settled so quickly into Year 4 and we are excited about the year ahead. The team have many fun and exciting learning opportunities planned to engage your children throughout the year.

### Trips

We are in the process of planning trips and we will keep you informed of any upcoming trips and provide you with all relevant information ahead of time.

### Independent learning

Your child will be asked to talk about:

- Their knowledge of chocolate
- Roald Dahl's 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory'
- Solids, Liquids and Gases (heating and cooling)

Parents are encouraged to discuss these topics with their child to extend their learning experiences. These discussions will allow your child to access new learning with confidence and become independent learners.

### Guided Reading

Children will have opportunities to read and discuss a range of books each day to build on their comprehension and reading strategies, as well as develop a love for reading. Your child will read books at their level with their class teacher and complete additional tasks to become more fluent and independent readers.

### Supporting your child at home

- Your child has a reading record which is for two-way communication between you and the class teacher. Please write any comments you may have about your child's reading. The reading books will be changed regularly.
- To improve your child's spelling we would like you to practise everyday words so they can become more fluent readers and writers. If you need any advice on how to support your child in spelling techniques at home, please speak to the class teacher. Children could also use the online program Spellodrome to do additional practise.
- Time tables will enable your child to solve a range of numeracy problems. We will be assessing their knowledge of table facts on a regular basis and therefore practising their tables at home will give them an added advantage.

### Maths

This term, children will be reinforcing their knowledge of place value, developing their strategies to solve addition, subtraction, multiplication and division problems. To further support your child's learning at home we suggest they continue to use the Mathletics and BugClub websites.

### PE

PE is an important part of the curriculum and your child will need to bring in a PE kit and leave it in school for the half term. This will ensure each child will participate in all PE activities.

We look forward to a successful term in Year 4.

Regards,

Miss A. Green, Mr Jack, Ms K Green and Miss McIver- Year 4 Teachers