

## Year 4 Parent/Carer Newsletter—Autumn Half Term 2

The aim of our curriculum is to link much of the work around a theme, which makes learning more exciting and purposeful.

### Science

Our Science focus will be on states of matter. We will explore solids, liquids and gases. We will also be looking at the effects of heating, cooling and evaporation. We will do a variety of experiments over the lessons, including having a go at exploring melting points of different household items.

### Music

We are composers:  
We will sing songs from memory with accurate pitch, control and expression with the aim of performing a song at Carols by Candlelight.  
We are also continuing to explore a new instrument - the ukulele.

### English Work

We are exploring the books 'Touching the Void' which is all about 2 mountaineers and their journey up Siula Grande, a mountain in Peru. They are left with a difficult dilemma and our writing this half term will be creating a piece of writing building tension around a conflict or dilemma.

### French

This half term, we will learn about clothes and adjectives to describe them.

### Religious Education

This term the focus will be on communities, with a particular focus on 'Which faiths are shared in our country?'

## History - Did the Romans leave a legacy in Britain?

This half term we will be continuing our learning about the Romans, with a focus on their invasion of Britain and the lasting effects that it had here.

### Fantastic Friday

Year 4 will be doing musical theatre with Miss Hansen and arts and crafts with Miss Emery and Mrs Sutton in Fantastic Fridays.

### Mathematics

We will first concentrate on addition and subtraction methods before moving on to multiplication and division — including the grid and bus stop methods.  
We will also focus on fractions including using the bar model as a visual representation.

### PE

We will continue with swimming classes as well as introducing some gymnastics and games based around basketball.

### Computing

We will learn how to use and create a basic spreadsheet.