

# Year 4 News



# **Spring 2 2025**

# A message from Miss Lawrence

I am looking forward to seeing you all back at school.

The next half term will be busy and full of fun and interactive learning opportunities for your children.

#### **Staff**

Miss Lawrence Mrs Humphries

#### **Reminders**

Please bring your water bottle, planner and reading book every day. Please remember we are a nut free school.

## **Birthdays**

Lucas Jackson Elora William Francesca Amelie Isobel Harry G

#### **Homework**

The children will be given about I I/2 hours of homework each week. It will be given out each Friday and due back by the following Wednesday. It will include spellings, reading, Maths or English. The spelling test will be held on a Friday. Please make sure that you practise! Thanks for your continued support.

## <u> PE</u>

Our PE lessons will be on **Tuesday** and **Friday.** Please remember to take out earrings and have long hair tied back. As it is still cold make sure you also have an outdoor PE kit with suitable footwear.

## **Dates to remember**

Friday 21st March—Red Nose Day
Friday 11th April – break up

## **English**

This half term the children will read a range of adverts and The Promise. They will focus on

- creating expanded noun phrases
- extending sentences by adding clauses
- widening their vocabulary.

# **Geography**

## Campania and Naples

The children will be studying this southern part of Italy, locating places on maps, learning about volcanoes and earthquakes, as well as investigating occupations and tourism.

## PE

#### Yoga

The children will learn a variety of yoga poses aiming to gain strength and confidence as they practise routines.

#### **Outdoor Adventure Activities**

During this unit, the children will explore outdoor activities and games and learn to accurately follow and give instructions. They will learn to identify key symbols on a map and use a key to help navigate around a grid.

# Science Electricity

The children will continue to explore simple series circuits and test different types of circuits to see if they work. The children will plan and carry out comparative tests on different materials to help them identify conductors and insulators. Using their new knowledge they will create their own working switch and also create a game using a circuit.

#### **Maths**

During this half term we will focus on:

- Decimals and fractions
- Multiplication and division
- Addition and Subtraction
- Times tables
- coordinates

#### **RE**

The children will be answering the big question, Why do Christians call the day Jesus died 'Good Friday'? They will explore the events leading up and following Jesus' resurrection. The children will discuss the symbolism of events and objects. They will consider why it is important to stand up for your beliefs and the results of doing so.

#### **Computing—Spreadsheets**

The children will learn to use and create spreadsheets. Through a variety of games, they will learn to calculate using spreadsheets and create their own to calculate budgets and solve times table problems. They will also look at hardware and learn its purpose.

#### DT

The children will apply their knowledge of circuits when making their own working light. They will explore designs and working lights, design their own before making a working light.

## **French**

The children will continue to learn how to describe their family members. Throughout the unit, they will develop their speaking and listening skills through games and role play.