

# Class 4 Newsletter Autumn 2020

Welcome back!

The children have settled really well back into school and our new routines. It is lovely to see the children so excited about being in Year 4 ready for new learning and challenges.

## Curriculum

Our English and reading work for Term 1 will be based on 'The Promise' by Nicola Davies and in Term 2, we will be using 'The Firework Makers Daughter' by Phillip Pullman. Further information about what will be learning can be found on the separate medium term plan.

In maths we will focus initially on place value followed by addition/ subtraction and then multiplication/ division. It is important that the children continue to work on learning their times tables. Again, more detailed information can be found on the medium term plan.

Our science topic for term 1 is 'Living Things and their Habitats' followed by 'States of Matter' in Term 2. Our history topic is Ancient Maya and our work focuses on the question 'What was the greatest achievement of the Maya?' Knowledge organisers for both science and history are available and give more details about the topics.

Much of our art and DT work will be linked to our Maya and/or science topics. Our PSHCE lessons will focus on wellbeing, Purple Learning and topical issues. Initially our Computing work will be E-safety based and we will learn about online identify and relationships.

Our PE lesson will take place on a Thursday this term so the children should come to school in their PE kit on this day.

Home Learning initially will just focus on getting back into routines at home for regular reading aloud and rehearsal of times tables. Further information about more structured home learning will be sent out in the coming weeks.

## Staffing in Class 4

I will be in class every morning and Monday, Wednesday & Friday afternoons. On a Tuesday afternoon the class will be taught by Mrs Dark, and on a Thursday afternoon by Mrs Barton. Mrs Le Roy is currently the full time TA in Year 4. Mrs Le Roy is new to Crowmarsh this year and she is really enjoying working with the children.

## Covid -19

Class 4 are one bubble and we are keeping ourselves away from other bubbles around the school. This means that we have our own space on the playground and lunches are eaten in the classroom. We are using hand sanitiser and washing hands regularly throughout the day. Within the classroom the children are all seated in a pair or three and most children are facing the front. The children are encouraged to avoid touching someone else's belongings and table space. Where it is necessary for us to share resources such as books or maths equipment, we are ensuring that good hand hygiene is followed and resources are sterilised or quarantined as needed. In the event that your child needs to isolate, there is a grid on the Class 4 page of the website with suggestions of home learning tasks. This will be updated as we get further into the Year 4 curriculum. If it becomes necessary for the whole bubble to close, home learning tasks for each day will be provided and it is most likely that there will be some Zoom sessions to support the learning.

Please contact me at school if you have any questions about Class 4.

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