

## Welcome back to Autumn Term!

Welcome back to the most magical term! We will be getting very busy this term with lots of exciting Christmas events coming up.

As the weather takes a turn, we will still make the most of the outdoor space at school, so all children will need a waterproof coat and wellies in school. These are best labelled and left in a bag on their peg.

Please also remember that pe kit should be plain dark bottoms, a white t-shirt, and a plain dark jumper or hoody. School jumpers and cardigans are also fine.

Just another reminder to please label everything! Names easily wash out so do keep checking.

## **Maths**

In maths, the children will be working on various methods for adding and subtracting 4-digit numbers. We will then move on to length and perimeter, where we will convert measurements and calculate perimeter of rectilinear shapes and other polygons. Then we will explore multiplication and division, linking number families and consolidating the times tables.

# **Topic**

Our topic is a history-based topic all about the Romans. We will start by considering what we know about early Rome, who was in charge of the Roman Empire and how powerful the Roman army was. We will then move on to the events that lead to Claudius invading Britain and how Roman settlements compare to Celtic villages. Finally, we will explore Boudica's rebellion and how the Roman's protected their land.

# Homework and reading

In Y4, children are given homework and spellings to learn. Homework sheets will go out on a Friday and are due in on a Wednesday. Spellings are given at the beginning of term for the whole term. Spelling tests are on a Thursday morning. If you would like a spare copy, please let me know.

We ask for children to read five times each week for 20 minutes and write it in their reading record. Children will receive golden tickets for their reading to be in with a chance of winning a new book!

## French

This term, child will continue their languages journey by learning French. We will focus on classroom language, numbers, days of the week, months, dates, seasons and birthdays.

### English

In English, the children will explore different types of poetry, including kennings, tetractys and free verse. We will then move on to writing instructions to join the Roman army, and persuasive leaflets to convince people to join Boudica's rebellion.

All English work will be underpinned by consolidating their existing knowledge of the place value of punctuation and grammar.

### P.E.

Year 4 pupils will have PE twice a week on **Wednesday** and **Thursday**. Please come to school wearing the correct PE kit on those days. On Thursday, children will study Roman Dance with Mr Fishpool, and on Wednesday they have a shorter session where they will practise bench ball skills.