

YEAR 4 CLASS NEWSLETTER

SPRING TERM 1

THE YEAR FOUR TEAM



Miss
Edwards



Mrs
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WELCOME BACK

I hope you have had a great break and a very happy start to the new year!

I am extremely excited to be joining Year 4 at Goxhill! I look forward to getting to know you all over the next few weeks!

Miss Edwards

SCIENCE

In Science, we will be continuing learning about states of matter. As part of this we will be learning about solids, liquids and gasses. We will be carrying out a range of experiments and investigations to learn how we can change them from one state to another.

GEOGRAPHY

In Geography, we will be learning about Hull and London. We will learn about the physical and Human features of each location before comparing and contrasting these. We will focus on the Humber and the Thames and consider how these have changed the landscapes and impacted on people's lives.

MATHS

In Maths this half term, we will deepen our understanding of multiplication and division, length and perimeter and fractions. We will also continue to focus on our times tables knowledge.

PSHE

In PSHE, dreams and goals will be our focal point for teaching. We will learn the difference between dreams and goals. We will then set our own goals, make a plan on how to achieve them and understand how to cope if it doesn't go to plan.

DT

In DT, we will be using our knowledge from previous science lessons to create a night light using a bulb and a switch. We will begin by evaluating a range of existing products and deconstructing these to learn how they work. We will then design, create and evaluate our own product for our intended audience.

ENGLISH

In English, we will be learning how to write a diary entry to develop characterisation and a sense of empathy. We will also be developing our journalistic writing to write a newspaper report. Our class text is *Wonder* by P.G. Palacio. We will enjoy this text together and use it as a source of inspiration for our writing.

RE

In RE, we will be learning about Islam. We will learn about the 5 different pillars of Islam and what they mean to Muslims and how it impacts on how they aim to live their lives.

PE

Our PE for this half term will be Swimming. We will attend Baysgarth Leisure Centre each Wednesday afternoon. During these sessions we will learn or develop our skills in swimming. We will learn different strokes and aim to swim greater distances.

COMPUTING

In Computing, we will learn common techniques used by animators. We will use traditional animation methods and compare these methods with using animation software. We will then apply what we have learnt to create our own digital 2D animation.

MUSIC

We will be learning to listen and appraise a song called *Stop!* which is about anti-bullying. We will learn how to perform this song and compliment it with instruments. We will then be using what we have learnt to create our own compositions and perform these.

FRENCH

In French, we will learn how to have short conversations in French including how to say our name, age and where we live and how to ask others these questions.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

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JANUARY

- 5th - Children return to school
- 21st - Federation Careers Fayre
- 28th - Weekly swimming lessons begin

FEBRUARY

- 2nd - NSPCC Number Day
- 10th - Internet Safety Day
- 11th - International Women's and Girls' in Science Day
- 13th - School Closes for Half Term

CLASS ROUTINES AND HELPING AT HOME

PE will be on a Monday and Tuesday - please make sure your child has their PE kit with them on these days.

Please read with your child 5 times a week and record this in their reading record. We encourage reading for enjoyment and children can read anything that takes their fancy, it does not always have to be their school reading book!

Please make sure reading books and records are sent into school on a Monday.

Children access Times Tables Rock Stars in school daily to develop their times tables knowledge and help to prepare them for the times tables check towards the end of Year 4. Children each have an individual login which they can use to practice these at home too. Please speak to the Year 4 team if you need any help accessing the site or need assistance with anything else.