Dear Parents,

I hope you have had a good half term!

For your information, Miss Forth will be teaching the Y5 children English and maths until Easter and I will continue to teach the Y6 children. This means that all children will benefit from a smaller class size and more focused adult support.

Maths and spelling homework will continue this half term. Y6 children will continue their reading SAT busters. Homework will be given out every **Friday** and should be returned to school the following **Thursday**. Homework will be marked together as a class to address any misconceptions or questions your child may have. School diaries need to be brought to school every day so any important updates can be added.

An adult will hear your child read at least once a week, though the day may vary - it is therefore important that reading books are in school every day. May I also take this opportunity to remind you of the impact which regular reading at home will also have on your child's progress.

Numeracy

Children will focus on various aspects of maths, including:

- Mental & Written addition and subtraction
- Decimals, percentages and their equivalence to fractions
- Conversion of measures
- Negative numbers
- Shape and geometry

Literacy

Children will continue to focus on various aspects of Literacy, which will be linked to our novel Thief.

- Drama
- Story writing
- Poetry

ICT

This half term children will learn about E-safety, website building and video/animation. The children will also be taking part in coding lessons using Scratch.

Science

In science children will be recapping their knowledge of the broad groups of organisms before taking a much more in-depth look at the classification system, how it works and how different species of organisms that are closely related can be identified.

Topic

We will be continuing our learning all about The Vikings. Our trip to York is the 27^{th} November so please can we ask that the £15 contribution is handed in as soon as possible.

P.E.

Our Teaching Assistant with PE specialism, Miss Hardie, will be teaching our class wide attack, which are invasion games for KS2 pupils. PE will take place every Monday and Friday, however it is recommended that PE kits remain in school as extra sessions may take place on a different day.

R.E.

This half term Class 4 will be thinking about the themes of Christmas. We will be discovering and exploring some of the themes of Christmas and the understanding of Christmas from secular and religious viewpoints. We will also be discussing the different ways people give at Christmas time and children will take part in a Christmas debate.

Spanish

The children will learn Spanish throughout the year. They will continue to apply the grammar they have learned into sentences.

Art/DT

The children will be designing and making Viking helmets and necklaces.

PSHE

The main focus is understanding how to make the right choice in tricky situations. We also have a focus Anti-Bullying week.

Kind regards,

Mrs Mowbray



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Class 4