

# Class 4

## Summer Term 1 Newsletter



Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you had a fantastic Easter break and your child is ready to return to school for more exciting learning. Our learning away this term will be to a Hindu temple in Nottingham as part of our RE, date to be confirmed. We will be learning about Hindu worship, festivals and pilgrimage.

### Reading:



Home learning expectations are '**Read Every School Day**'. Please support with reading to and with your child and write in their reading diary. Fluency Targets- By the end of Year 4 children should be reading 130 words per minute.



### Class reader

This term we will be reading Harley Hitch and the Iron Forest.

### Writing:

This half term in writing, we will be writing a playscript between characters from How to Train your Dragon. We will explore the features of a playscript and look at how an author writes directions for the actors. Later on this term we will be writing narratives and poetry.

### Attendance – 97% is our MINIMUM expectation

It is vital children attend on time and gates now open at 8.35am. We always learn our spellings at the start of the day and I can also help children individually with corrections from the previous day. Children must be on time so they *don't miss this learning*.

### PE Days:

Your child must come in their PE kit on Mondays and Thursdays.

PE kit is:

Plain red t-shirt

NO BRANDED LOGOS

Remember to wear your school joggers.

No jewellery can be worn due to health and safety. Please remove earrings or ensure your child can.

If not, we have medical tape to cover them.



### Science:

This half term, we will be learning about electricity. We will be looking at the differences between mains powered appliances and battery powered appliances. We will build circuits using batteries, bulbs and wires and investigate how we can make a bulb brighter and dimmer in a circuit. We will also investigate what materials are good electrical conductors and insulators.

**Key vocabulary-** appliances, mains electricity, circuit, incomplete, components, batteries, cell, flows, single pathway, electrical conductors, electrical insulators, dim.

### Mathematics Learning: Fractions and Decimals

Last term children started to look at fractions and explain what a fraction is. We also looked at improper fractions and mixed numbers. This term we will be looking at adding and subtracting mixed numbers and subtracting fractions from whole amounts.

We will also move on to looking at decimals and how we divide a two-digit number by 10 and 100.

### Multiplication check testing

Please continue to practise times tables with your child in preparation for the national testing of the multiplication check later in the summer term.

Practice the test at:

<https://www.timestables.co.uk/multiplication-tables-check/>

### Knowledge – History – The Greeks

**Key vocabulary-** monarchies, democracies, ancient Olympics playscripts, Parthenon, empire

**Key Learning** - We will learn about; when the Ancient Greek civilization began and ended and how it was ruled, how democracy was created by Greek rulers and that we have democracy today the different conflicts that happened in Ancient Greece and the legacy that still remains today. We will also learn what the Olympics were like in Ancient Greece and how this compares to today.