# **Year 4 Newsletter**



## **Autumn 2**



Dear Families.

We are very proud of the start that Year 4 have made. There have been some excellent examples of work being completed along with many children showing aspirational, respectful and kind behaviour through the half-term.

**Maths:** We are learning to calculate area of a 2-D shape, using multiplication and division facts for the 3, 6, 7 and 9 times tables as well as consolidating the previous learning from autumn 1.

**English:** We are focusing on the core text '**The boy at the back of the class**' written by O'Njali Rauf. We are focusing on applying summarising, retrieval and comparison skills by looking at supplementary texts alongside the core text. We are learning to compose news reports, stories from other cultures and first person diary entries.



**Science:** This half-term, we are learning about the classification of living things including: vertebrates, invertebrates and groups of animals, e.g. fish, amphibians.



**Geography:** In Geography, we are focusing on Mediterranean Europe and applying our map reading knowledge to locate different countries and describe the physical and geographical features.

**Across the other subjects:** we are also learning about Christianity (Nativity story), slingshot cars, dance and ball skills and how an artist uses space and dimension.

The Year 4 Team

#### **Important Dates**

25 Nov - Christmas Craft Afternoon

15 Dec - Christmas Disco

16 Dec - Last day of Term

### **Home Learning**

Weekly homework is set every <u>Friday</u> and is due back into class on the following <u>Thursday.</u>

Weekly homework is:

**Spellings**: it is better to practice all week to embed the knowledge for the long term.





**Maths:** TRockstars and an additional maths activity.

**Reading:** please note this in your child's reading record.

#### **Home Reading Challenge**



This half term home reading challenge is to read 25 or more times. Every child who achieves this will receive a bookmark and the highest number of reads will receive a reading badge.

<u>PE</u>

This half-term, our PE unit of work is dance and ball skills. PE will be every Monday and Tuesday. Please ensure

your child arrives in school in the correct PE kit - A plain white t-shirt, black shorts and trainers.