



## Year Four Newsletter



October 2019

Welcome to Year Four! The children have settled incredibly well and we are all looking forward to getting to know the children and you over the next year and hope that together we can make this year a positive and fun experience. As a School, we have always had an open door policy for Parents and Carers. We do appreciate that many parents are not able to drop children off or pick the children up, so we have a range of ways to get in touch:

- Phone call to school (01642 769442) - we can always ring you back if needed
- A note in Homework Diaries or letter if you prefer
- E mail— [frclacy@sbcschools.org.uk](mailto:frclacy@sbcschools.org.uk)

[frlmuirhead@sbcschools.org.uk](mailto:frlmuirhead@sbcschools.org.uk)

Please feel free to contact us or speak to one of the team if you do have any concerns or worries and we will do our best to help. It is easier for us to sort things out quickly if we know or can help in any way.

**P.E-** Our PE sessions this term are on a Monday and Thursday. Children have both indoor and outdoor PE sessions across the week. Children need an indoor and outdoor PE kit in school at all times. Please ensure that they have plenty of layers, long trousers and shoes suitable for outdoor sessions. P.E. kits should include navy shorts and tracksuit bottoms/ leggings, a plain white t-shirt and a navy tracksuit top. Please ensure that all items are labelled with your child's name.

**Swimming-** Year 4 will be starting their swimming sessions at Thornaby Swimming Pool this term. Children attend the baths every day for a two week block. The sessions each day will be after lunch. Miss Lacy's class began their block on 30<sup>th</sup> September and Miss Muirhead's class will begin 20<sup>th</sup> January. Further information regarding swimming will be sent to parents.



### Curriculum



We have an exciting term ahead of us and we thought you might like to know the topics your child will be studying. During the next few weeks we will be concentrating on:

History and Geography—The impact of the Tudors on Modern Life

Science – Electricity

If you have any resources or books that you would be willing to share, please send them into school. (Please make sure they have a name on so that they can be returned safely). It would also be lovely if anyone has any experience they could share, in line with these topics. Please just have a chat with one of the team and let us know.

### Homework-

Homework is an essential and valuable part of school life. Children will be given homework on a **Friday** to be returned the following **Wednesday**. We do try to vary the homework given and it will be linked to what the children have been learning in school. In addition to homework, we do encourage children to access *Times Table Rockstars* and *Spelling Shed* as these are proving to be a valuable tool in supporting and challenging the children. Both sites can be accessed online or via the apps. Log on details can be found in the front of the children's reading records. Should you have any problems please do not hesitate to contact one of the Year Four team.