

Welcome to the autumn term and the start of a new academic year.

We are very excited about the start of a new year and look forward to supporting your child in achieving the best possible results this year. The adults working with Y4 this year until October half term will be myself (Monday - Thursdays mornings), Mr Foster (Monday - Thursday afternoons and all day Friday) and Mr Navin (Monday – Friday mornings). After October half term, Mr Foster will be working with the year 4 full time, as I begin my maternity leave, alongside Mr Navin who will continue supporting the Y4 children each morning.

The children will partake in P.E sessions on Thursday and Friday afternoons, therefore please ensure you child has their P.E kit in school on this day.

This term in Year 4 our topic will be centred around the theme of 'Potions'. This is a very exciting topic and one we are sure the children will enjoy. As part of this topic, the children will be set a homework project to complete over the following term, culminating in a Project Exhibition on Monday 12th December 2016 in the school hall. This will be a chance for the children to display their work and share their achievements with friends and parents. The homework project options for this term are as follows:

- Make a sketch of any interesting bottles you have at home. Remember to add patterns, textures, shading and finer details
- Design and make your own potion bottle
- Make home-made perfumes or potions using things you find in the garden or bathroom (check with an adult before you start about which substances are safe to use). You could use a pestle and mortar to grind up the things you find. Add liquid and strain to get rid of the lump bits. What have you made?
- Visit your local library or book shop to search for other plays and stories on the theme of potions. Write a book review

Above are just a few ideas, however if you have your own ideas about projects you could do related to this topic then please feel free to explore these. On the other hand, children can choose to complete one or all of the projects above and all projects should be brought in to school by Wednesday 7th December.

As always, should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to come in and see us. For dates for diaries please refer to the yearly overview or the schools website or Facebook page.

Mrs Burn & Mr Foster