



# Year 4 Newsletter

Autumn 2 2018

Miss Copley and Mrs Maguire

## To parents and carers,

Welcome back! I hope you have had a relaxing half term. Year 4 have made an excellent start to the year and have worked extremely hard so far. Thank you also to all the parents and carers who attended Parental Conferences last half term; it was lovely to share your children's work with you.

Please read on to find out about our new topics and foci for the next half term and keep an eye on our class blog to see how the children are getting on!

In RE our topic will be 'Trust in God'. We will also have Collective Worship sessions each week.

PE sessions take place on Monday and Tuesday. This half term we will cover Tactics and Strategies and Dance

We will also have sessions on spelling, grammar, handwriting and Guided Reading every day.



## Year 4 Topics

This year we will be using one key topic each half term through which we will learn about and develop our skills in lots of different curriculum areas.



### Misty Mountain Sierra

Discover how these giants of the landscape were formed, as a fold or a block, a dome or a plateau. Follow the water cycle's course from peak to valley and meet the exceptional tribes of the hostile Himalayas.



Then plan a mountain expedition from the BMC that is eco-friendly and safe as can be.

- Science - working scientifically, the water cycle;
- Art & Design - design, weaving;
- Music - writing song lyrics;
- Geography - using maps, human and physical Geography
- PE - orienteering.

The open session for parents to see our work on this topic will be Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December 3-3:30.

Our class novel this half term will be 'The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe' by CS Lewis. In Numeracy we will cover a variety of topics such as fractions, written strategies for addition and subtraction and decimals.

Reading practice is essential to children's learning development so please ensure someone reads with your child regularly. Reading books are changed as often as needed and please write in your child's reading record when you read together. We will also be working hard on times table knowledge this year and children will need lots of practice of this at home. There will be award for children who can recall all times table and division facts up to 12x12.

If you would like to speak to me regarding anything please contact the school office to make an appointment. Thanks,

*Miss Copley and Mrs Maguire*

