# **Year 4 Newsletter**





## Autumn Term

## **English**



In the Autumn Term we will write:

- A narrative for 'Flood' The book 'Flood' only has images so we will write the narrative to go with this.
- Character descriptions about rainforest animals – We will be looking at a variety of rainforest animals and describe them.

#### **Maths**



In Autumn Term we will begin with Place Value up to 10,000 using practical methods to help. After this, we will move onto addition and subtraction including exchanging using the column method. The children will continue to learn about roman numerals by writing the date in them everyday.

#### **Science**

Autumn 1 – States of Matter. We will learn about solids, liquids and gases and conduct experiments to see how quickly chocolate melts.

Autumn 2 – Precious Water. We will be using our knowledge of solids, liquids and gases to help us learn about freezing, melting and evaporation.

#### Wider Curriculum

**History** – Our topic is Ancient Greece. We will learn about Ancient Greek civilisation and famous Greek myths.

**Geography -** Our topic is Japan. We will research the differences and similarities between Tokyo and London including the famous landmarks.

**PSHE** – We will explore 'Me and my relationships' which includes understanding emotions and feelings.

RE - Our Key Questions are;

Is it possible for everyone to be happy? (Buddhism) What is the most significant part of the Nativity Story for Christians today? (Christianity)

Music - We will explore rhythm and musicianship.

**Art** – We will explore using pastels and create our own version of 'Sunrise over the Eastern Sea'.

**DT** – This half term we will design and make puppets.



### **Key Dates:**

<u>Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September</u> – Come Join us

 $\underline{\text{Monday } 29^{\text{th}} \text{ September} - 3^{\text{rd}} \text{ October}}$  – Harvest Collection for the Foodbank

<u>Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October</u> – Wear Yellow for 'World Mental Health Day'

Friday 17th October – Show Racism the Red Card day

#### PΕ

Our sport this half term is Basketball (Group 1) and swimming (Group 2). PE is on a Wednesday.

## How can you help at home?

Reading – please promote reading as much as possible by engaging with the book your child brings home and other books they may enjoy. This can be them reading to you, or you reading to them.

Times Tables – Revise times tables. Our favourite game is Hit the Button, which can be found on Top Marks. There are also some great games on Purple Mash.

Hit the Button - Quick fire maths practise for 6-11 year olds

#### Purple Mash by 2Simple

Dojo – please engage with dojo as much as possible. The children love seeing when parents have viewed and liked posts.