

YEAR 4

SPRING 2

NEWSLETTER

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Welcome back!

Welcome back after what I hope was a restful half term holiday.

Spring 2 is one of my favourite half terms with lots to look forward to, including our production of Alice The Musical! Please ensure you're practising lines and lyrics at home!

I will be updating our Class Dojo page regularly so keep an eye out!

GEOGRAPHY

Our Geography topic this half term focuses on the expansion of the Roman Empire, developing our atlas skills and also exploring digital mapping of geographical features.



READING

In Love to Read we are reading a Twinkl Original - History Hackers Roman Rescue, before moving onto So You Think You've Got It Bad: Ancient Rome.

SCIENCE

It is Science Week this half term, where we will be working scientifically, carrying out a different experiment each afternoon, led by a different teacher each day!



PE and Swimming

PE will be on **Thursdays** this half term and we will be going swimming on **Wednesdays**. Please bring a bag to school that contains a swimming costume / trunks, a towel and goggles if needed.

Homework

Homework will be sent out every week on **Friday** and should be returned by the following **Friday**. Spelling tests will also be on **Friday**.

A creative homework grid will be sent out for you to choose from. Creative homework will be displayed in class!

Important Dates

- Monday 24th February - Return to school.
- Wednesday 5th March - In person parents evening - phone calls through the week.
- Thursday 6th March - World Book Day.
- w/c 10th March - Science Week.
- Wednesday 2nd April - Production performance - 6pm.
- Thursday 3rd April - Production performance - 2pm.
- Friday 4th April - Easter Service at church.



What are we learning?

MATHS

In maths, we will be delving into fractions before moving onto exploring decimals.



With our Times Tables Check in June, we will be practising our times tables as much as possible in class. Please support this at home with regular practise and use of Times Tables Rockstars - screen free practise booklets available in class.

ENGLISH

We will be writing reports on Arctic Foxes before writing a letter of persuasion to save ancient woodlands.

ALICE - THE MUSICAL

We are delighted to announce the Year 3/4 production this year will be Alice - The Musical! Your child should have brought home a script, a costume slip and a lyric sheet. Please ensure lines and lyrics are learnt and scripts are brought into school each day. Performance dates are 2nd and 3rd April. We are so excited!



RE

We will be exploring why Christians remember the events of Holy Week, focusing on the Last Supper, Communion symbols, and how Christians show their beliefs.



Art



We will be taking inspiration from Georgia O'Keefe and creating our own watercolour paintings of our local history treasure - Kirkstall Abbey.

Things you could do!

- Visit the Wonderlab in Bradford's newly reopened Science and Media museum.
- Explore Kirkstall Abbey and its grounds, gaining inspiration for our watercolour in Art (you could also pay a visit to the lovely Abbey House Museum!)
- Watch the film 'Alice in Wonderland' - I wonder if you can take inspiration for your character in our production?

Attendance and punctuality

Please ensure that your child arrives at school on time each morning. If your child is going to be absent or late, please notify Mrs Wren in the office via message or phone call.