



Important Events

4th January 2018 – Start of the new term

26th January 2018 – Nicaragua Class Assembly

9th February 2018 – End of Spring 1.

19th February 2018: Return from Half term

Homework

English and Maths homework will be sent out **every FRIDAY**. Children should bring their completed homework in on **WEDNESDAY**.

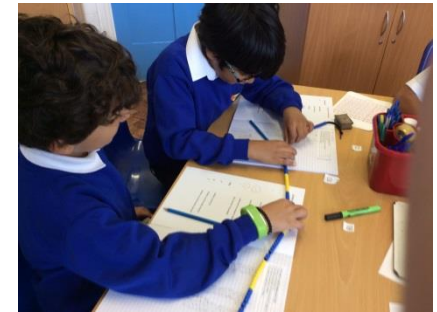
Spellings will be sent out on **Monday** and tested on **FRIDAY**.

Home readers need to be completed daily and signed weekly by a Parent/Carer.

PE

This term the children will be learning gymnastics and football.

Children must bring their complete PE kit every **MONDAY** and take it home every **FRIDAY**.



Year Four Spring 1 Term Curriculum Newsletter



Dear Parents and Carers,

We've had an excellent first term and can't wait for the learning to come! I hope you all had a restful holiday and are ready to dive into the new half term.

We will be learning about Vikings and the impact of their settlement in Britain. We will be studying their actions and behaviour which will enable us to understand their legacy on how Britain is today. In Science, we will be learning all about the digestive systems of different animals, including studying the diets of a variety of animals.

Information about what your child will learn this half term is on the other side of this sheet.

We look forward to working with you and your child.
Ms Corales, Miss Sterling, Ms Farhana

As writers, we will be basing our stories on the actions and behaviour of the Vikings. We will use drama to help us to understand the ways in which they lived their lives. Additionally, we will continue to read Skellig by David Almond and create our own versions of the story. **How will you create an effective spooky story?**

As Mathematicians, we will be focusing on fractions and decimals. We will be adding and subtracting fractions, working out unit fractions of shapes, lengths and sets of numbers, and recognising and writing decimal equivalents. **What is $\frac{1}{8}$ of a bar of chocolate made of 40 pieces?**

As Scientists, we will be learning about Animals, Including humans. We will describe the simple functions of the basic parts of the digestive system in humans, identify the different types of teeth in humans and their simple functions, construct and interpret a variety of food chains, identifying producers, predators and prey. **Can you name the different types of teeth in humans?**

PSHE & RE

This half term in PHSE, we will be discussing about financial responsibilities and the importance of saving money. **What does the term 'save' mean?**

English

1st person narrative, diary entry, instruction text

Maths

Fractions and Decimals

Science

Animals, Including Humans

ICT

We will be using purple mash to create leaflets about the Vikings.

Humanities

Vikings

Physical Development

As athletes, we will be exploring a new sport...handball! We will also be developing and practising a range of techniques in dance by creating our own routines. **What do you already know about handball?**

In Design and Technology this term, we will be using our knowledge from science to research, plan, and create a set of animal or human teeth using clay and other materials. **What else could you make using clay?**

Art and DT

Teeth - Clay

