

**Year 4**  
**with Mr Mayfield and Miss**  
**Carlton-Ware**  
**January – February 2024**

Welcome back. We hope you enjoyed the 2 weeks of no school and feel ready and refreshed.

### **Maths**

As we approach the statutory multiplication tables check in June, we will be giving an even more increased focus to times tables practice. The children will be performing written times table tests regularly in school and spending lots of time practicing on TT Rockstars. We would really appreciate if between now and June, you ensure that your child is practicing their times tables at home regularly. Please also make sure that your child's Chromebook is fully charged every day. In addition to our work on the Times Tables we will also continue to use the White Rose Maths scheme to support the delivery of our maths lessons. We will be exploring the topics of multiplication, division and length, perimeter and decimals.

### **English**

Thank you for ensuring that your child comes to school with their Reading Record and reading book every day, we are seeing some great progress in their reading levels. As usual, please take good care of all books sent home and please make sure that you sign your child's reading record at least 3 times a week, otherwise their book may not be changed. In our Reading lessons children will be focusing on the book The Iron Man. We will also be writing a newspaper report.

### **Topic**

In Science we will be learning about Sound. We will be learning how sounds are made, different ways of making sound, how sound travels, how we can make sounds louder and quieter and how to measure volume.

### **Swimming and PE days**

Both classes have now had a full half term of swimming and the progress they have made has been astounding. They really are wonderful representatives for our school. Thank you for making sure that your children are well prepared and equipped for their swimming lessons!

**Michael Jordan Class:** will be going swimming on a Thursday and a Friday this half term. Please come to school wearing PE kit, you need to bring your Chromebook to school AND your swimming kit.

**Nelson Mandela:** PE days will be Wednesday and Thursday. We may be going outside to do PE. so please make sure you're wearing appropriate, warm PE kit.

If you have any questions at all, please don't hesitate to speak to us on the door any evening or ring the office and we will phone back at our earliest convenience.

Many thanks!

The Year 4 Team

### **Important Dates:**

- Monday 8th January – School reopens for the Spring term.
- Friday 9th February – School closes for the half- term break.



### **You can help by:**

Helping your child to recall multiplication facts up to 12 x 12 and division facts, as this is a huge focus in Year 4. Please encourage your child to use their Chromebooks also to support practice of these. There are lots of apps and websites ready for you.

Listening to your child read and sharing stories with them, as well as asking questions about the book. Encourage your child to make predictions about what might happen in a book using evidence from the text to justify their ideas or ask them questions about how they think a character might be feeling. Encourage them to make connections with the text or wonder and ask questions about different parts.

Helping your child to complete their weekly homework. This homework is always based on current or upcoming learning and skills.

