



## Autumn 2 2022

### KEY DATES:

- Friday 11th November - Armistice Day  
Monday 14th November - 4G Trip to Deptford Creek  
Tuesday 15th November - 4A Trip to Deptford Creek  
Monday 14th - 18th Nov - Anti-bullying Week (Odd Socks on Monday!)
- Friday 25th November - PTA World Cup Shoot Out  
28th November - 9th December - Year 4 Swimming at Forest Hill Pools
- Saturday 3rd December - Winter Fair  
Thursday 8th December - Years 3 and 4 Winter Shows (6.30pm)  
Friday 9th December - PTA Santa Dash  
Wednesday 14th December - Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day  
Thursday 15th December - Year 4 Vikings Day  
Friday 16th December - Last day of term

It was great to meet with so many of you for our parent meetings before half term. We have been impressed with the way the children have returned to school after their short break, and we look forward to a new half term of learning. We are delighted to welcome Matt Foxcroft (a PGCE student) into the Year 4 team: he will be working with 4A until February.

### NEW TOPIC - Voyagers and Villains

This term, we will be delving into Britain's Viking heritage. We will be looking at the Viking invasion of Britain and where they eventually settled. We will also explore Viking armour and weaponry, and investigating place names that have a Norse origin. We will also be planning and preparing for our very exciting Viking Day on the 15th December!

### MATHS

#### Number - addition and subtraction

- Add numbers with up to 4 digits using the formal written methods of columnar addition and subtraction where appropriate.
- Subtract numbers with up to 4 digits using the formal written methods of columnar addition and subtraction where appropriate.
- Estimate and use inverse operations to check answers to a calculation.
- Solve addition and subtraction two-step problems in contexts, deciding which operations and methods to use and why.

#### Number- multiplication and division

- Multiply by 0, 1, 10, 100, 1 and 0.
- Divide by 1, 10 and 100.
- 9 times-table and division facts.
- 7 times-table and division facts.

## Year 4 Learning Letter

### ENGLISH

This half-term, we will finish writing our adventure narratives before moving onto some Viking-inspired historical narrative texts.

### READING

We will be continuing our whole class model of teaching reading this term, focusing on our exciting, new class novel, 'Viking Boy'. As always, we encourage you to read with your child regularly at home.

### SCIENCE

This half-term, we will be learning about electricity. This will involve lots of practical exploration with wires and bulbs.

### PHONICS/SPELLING

This half-term, we will continue to extend our knowledge of the following suffixes: '-ation' and '-ous'. Spellings will be tested on the following Fridays:

**4th November (sub- prefix)**

**18th November (-ation suffix)**

**2nd December (-ous suffix)**

### PSHE

This half-term, Year 4 will be focusing on 'Growing and Changing' (how our bodies change as we grow up) and 'Keeping Safe' (medicines, including drugs)

### VOCABULARY

This half-term, we will continue to teach the children three new words every week. These may be linked to our topic, or may be words we can use in stories or everyday conversations. You will find these words listed in our weekly school newsletter.

### ORACY

Due to this being an action-packed half-term, Oracy will now start in Spring 1.

### HOME LEARNING

TTrockstars - 5 minutes practise every day.

Spelling Shed - 5 minutes practise every day.

MHL (Maths) - given out on Fridays, return on Wednesdays

### GENERAL REMINDERS

Please ensure your child wears their PE kit to school on their PE days and has suitable footwear for the Mega Mile.

If you need to get in touch with us, please do so during school hours only: 8.00am - 6pm (Mon - Fri) and we will respond as soon as we can.

We look forward to an enjoyable half term with the children.

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Thank you for your  
continued support!  
The Year 4 team