





# YEAR 4 TERMLY NEWSLETTER: SPRING TERM 2022

## YEAR 4

Welcome back to the new term. Our year 4 are doing brilliantly, they have settled back into the new year and are enjoying our new topic of The Romans, which will include a Roman tasting day. The children will be continuing to work with the poet, Owen Poem, writing and performing their own poems and we will continue to keep you updated on their progress and the details of their upcoming performances. Later in the term we are hoping to visit some Roman ruins and find out more about how the Romans influenced life in Britain. Our second topic this term will be Raging Rivers, in which the children will be learning about the geography of the local area and some elements of Science, including the water cycle. There may also be the opportunity to carry out a river study. We would like to share with you some information about what your child will be learning over the Spring Term, as well as offering you opportunities to support your child's understanding of subjects studied.

HIGH EXPECTATIONS	<p>We expect <b>a high standard of behaviour from all children</b> which is monitored by all staff in the academy. The Behaviour Policy (which can be found on our website) explains the academy rules, rewards and sanctions in detail.</p> <p>Every week we have a celebration assembly where achievements are shared and certificates are awarded (including Star of the Week and House Points certificates).</p> <p>Unacceptable behaviour, both in and out of the classroom, will be dealt with firmly but fairly according to the academy's Behaviour Policy. You will be informed of any major incidences, or if your child's behaviour results in two or more detentions within a period of two weeks.</p>	UNIFORM	<p><b>Uniform is the same for Years 4-6.</b></p> <p>All pupils must wear correct uniform, including acceptable footwear. A letter will be sent home with pupils who have missing or incorrect uniform.</p> <p>Please refer to the Uniform Policy on our website for further information, including PE kit. If you require academy uniform, all items can be purchased from the academy office.</p>	START OF DAY ACTIVITY (SODA)	<p>For the first 15 minutes of every day there will be a focused learning activity planned by the teacher.</p> <p>This involves arithmetic challenges to master these skills and time practicing their times tables and division facts – these are vital for all areas for maths.</p> <p>It is also a time to get help with any areas they are struggling with and ensure they are prepared for the day.</p> <p>If your child arrives late they will miss this vital part of the school day. Therefore, it is important that your child arrives on time (<b>by 8:55am</b>) every day.</p>
					
		TRIPS	<p>The children will be given the opportunity to perform their own poem at the Y theatre.</p> <p>A trip to visit some Roman ruins is currently being planned.</p>		

YEAR 4 CURRICULUM	<p>Over the Spring term, children will learn about the Roman empire and its effects on Britain.</p>  <p>Please see the sheet attached to this newsletter for more information about these topics in Year 4 this term.</p>	PHYSICAL EDUCATION	<p><b>Our PE day this term is on Monday.</b> PE is part of our academy curriculum and <b>we expect all children to wear a full PE kit to school</b> so that they can take part in their PE sessions on this day</p> <p><b>Jewellery should not be worn on this day.</b> Earrings cannot be worn during PE sessions. Teachers and Teaching Assistants are not allowed to help children remove their earrings. If your child has recently had their ears pierced they will have to bring micropore tape to cover their earrings until they can take them out.</p>	HOMEWORK	<p><b>Queensmead Quests</b> will continue to be given out once per half term. The aim is to provide a range of challenges for your child to choose from. We would be grateful if you can support and encourage them. If your child experiences any difficulties with the homework, we encourage them to come and see their class teacher for more support.</p> <p>In addition, we expect children to be <b>reading for at least 10 minutes daily</b>. It would be really beneficial if you could listen to your child read and discuss their book regularly to support their understanding.</p>
					SPELLINGS & TIMESTABLES

**If you have any problem or concerns – who do you ask?**

- Class Teachers – Mrs Cory Miss Fletcher-Brown
- Deputy Principals – Mrs Bentley & Mrs Catlow
- Principal – Mrs Latham

Thank you on behalf of the Year 4 team.