

## Year 4 Newsletter Term 6



### Curriculum

This term, our key questions is:

#### How did the Vikings change Britain?

This term our questions will bring together many aspects of the curriculum. We will be learning about how the Vikings changed Britain, why the design of their long ships was so important, identifying the two treasures Viking Norsemen most wanted from Britain and studying Viking horned helmets. In Science, we will be learning about building towers and bridges, starting with constructing tall towers, then exploring bridges and looking at animals as builders. We will also be researching famous engineers and architects and the structures they built.

This term our class text is *The Lost Thing* by Shaun Tan. This is a picture book about a boy who discovers a bizarre looking creature while out collecting bottle tops at the beach. Having guessed that it is lost, he tries to find out who owns it or where it belongs. Our independent writing this term will focus on this text. We will use our Whole Class Reading sessions to explore J K Rowling's Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone. We will be use our inference skills to infer a character's thoughts, feelings and motives based on their actions.

### Key dates for your diary

- W/B 4<sup>th</sup> June - Y4 Multiplication Tables Check
- 17<sup>th</sup> June- Class visit to Larkin Farm
- 20<sup>th</sup> June- Sports day and Family Picnic
- 1<sup>st</sup> July- INSET Day- children do not attend school
- 4<sup>th</sup> July- Transition Day
- 19<sup>th</sup> July- Last day of term

### P.E./Games

PE kits must be worn into school on the days that you have PE. Earrings must be removed for all P.E lessons.

P.E. days for Year 4 are as follows:  
Outdoor PE - **Tuesday**  
Outdoor PE - **Wednesday**

### Home Learning

#### Spellings

Spellings will be given out weekly and home learning will be set on Spelling Shed every Monday.

#### Sumdog & TTRS

The children will be set weekly home learning on Sumdog and TTRS each week. Times tables will be set weekly in preparation for the MTC in June.

#### Reading

Please read daily and record this in your Reading Record. House points are awarded for regular reading. This can be your school reading book or your book from the 40 book challenge.

#### Tea Time Talks

3 questions will be sent home weekly for you to discuss on the previous week's learning.