


Newsletter Year 4

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<u>English</u>	<u>Maths</u>
<p>We will be studying a book called 'The Iron Man' in English. During this unit, students will be using their Science knowledge about 'Metals' to help with their descriptive writing. At the end of this unit, students will be writing a descriptive piece adding their own chapter for 'The Iron Man'.</p> <p><u>Whole Class Reading</u> In our WCR lessons, we will learn and practice the skills of summarising, inferring, improving our word knowledge and understanding characters feelings and motives through reading some short texts and at times some longer texts.</p> <p>Some of the texts we will be looking at include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- The Manfish by Jennifer Berne- Joan Procter, Dragon Doctor by Patricia Valdez	<p>We will follow Power Maths, which will include these maths topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Multiplication and division- Area and perimeter- Fractions  <p>Each week, we will complete timed multiplication grids two times a week, as well as additional sessions to focus on times table skills.</p> <p>It is essential that children know their times tables facts to help with their maths learning.</p>
<u>History/Geography/Science</u>	<u>Other Information</u>
<p><u>History</u> In History this term we will be studying 'Anglo-Saxons'. We will be looking at who they were, where they came from, when they were around as well as how we know about them.</p> <p><u>Geography</u> In Geography this term we will be looking at Mountains and Volcanoes. We will explore different factors of climbing a mountain such as the 'Altitude' and 'Temperature' and also look at the people who have climbed them. We will then look at Volcanoes and learn about the structure of the Earth as well as 'Tectonic Plates'.</p> <p><u>Science</u> In science we will be studying 'Forces', we will learn and carry out investigations about a range of forces and evaluate their effect and importance within the world today. The children will have the opportunity to ask their own questions about what they observe, set up simple practical enquiries and tests, record findings, as well as creating simple graphs to demonstrate their understanding.</p>	<p><u>P.E:</u> Our PE days will be Wednesday and Thursday. On Wednesday we will be doing outdoor P.E and on Thursday it will be indoors. We ask that children continue to come school in their PE kits on these days.</p> <p><u>Reading-</u> I will allocate individual reading time throughout the week alongside our whole class guided reading sessions. Please make sure your child is also reading at home, you can add your child's video to their Dojo portfolio to earn extra 'Working at home' Dojos.</p> <p><u>Homework</u> Spellings will be set on spelling shed every Monday. These will be learnt throughout the week in school, please encourage your child to practice their spellings on spelling shed throughout the week. Spellings will be then tested on the following Monday.</p> <p>Challenges will be set on Times Table Rockstar on a weekly basis. We will do a times table grid two times a week to check the children's progress.</p>