GENERAL

Welcome to another Y4 newsletter to keep you informed about what your child will be learning this half term. If you have any queries please come and have a chat with your child's class teacher, Mrs Tabor or Mrs Wood at the end of the day.

This half term our JIGSAW unit of work will cover the theme of 'Relationships'.

MATHS - We will be looking at measurement of length, mass and volume. We will also develop our understanding of area and perimeter of shapes. We will continue to work on our times tables knowledge and improve our mental maths and problem solving skills.

COMPUTING - We begin the term by being 'Hardware Investigators' and looking at the components of a computer, and then move onto 'effective searching' which is about online research.

ART - We will be exploring the fabric of nature and creating work inspired by William Morris.

GEOGRAPHY – Children will study and learn about North America. We will look at the different physical and human geographical features of the continent, the tourism and compare our local area with North America.

MUSIC - We will be listening to music from different cultures that use the pentatonic scale. We will be learning two new notes on the recorder so that we can then improvise and compose music using notes from the pentatonic scale.





Advance Warning: Year 4 Government Multiplication Check is to be completed between Monday 3rd June 2024 and Friday 14th June 2024

HOMEWORK - Reading remains a key focus for children in Year 4 and we would appreciate it if you would continue to read regularly with your child. Children also have a Login for Reading Plus and can continue their fluency work on this at home. Reading books can be changed whenever needed but should be in school every day please.

Knowledge of **times tables** is vital. Children will be expected to use TTRockstars **at least** 3 times a week. Please be involved and encourage them to complete tasks. Regular visits to these sites will boost their skills.

SPECIAL EVENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTs

Wednesday 1st May – 2.30pm – LKS2 Assembly to parents Monday May 6th – School closed for Bank Holiday Fri 24th May –Break up for half term

LITERACY - We begin the term looking at balanced arguments looking at whether we should be allowed to feed the animals in National parks. Later in the term we will be reading the book 'The Lost Thing'. Children will explore the fantasy story before creating their own story. Guided Reading and spellings will also continue.

SCIENCE- Our topic is called 'Switched On' in which children learn about electricity and working circuits, including making switches.

FRENCH - We will learn how to describe the animals and their habitats. The children will have the opportunity to listen to extracts from 'Le Carnaval des Animaux' by the French composer Camille Saint-Saëns.

RE - The children will begin a new topic called 'Our World'. They will learn of different creation stories from different faiths.

PE - Lessons will be on a TUESDAY and will focus on performance dance and athletic skills. Please ensure your child comes to school dressed ready for PE and that long hair is tied back and earrings are removed or covered. Thank you.