



# Billie Jean-King Class - Year 4



Spring 2 - Newsletter



Welcome to the Spring 2 newsletter. This term promises to be a busy one, filled with forest school, Science week, and much more.

The class teachers in year 4 are Mr Symes, and Mrs Parnaby. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to come and speak to any of us before or after school. Thank you.

## Our Christian Values



Our Christian values this term are:  
Perseverance and Respect

## What are we Learning:

In English, we will be going to cover some previous learning and looking at sentence structure and how to choose the best sentence to create the biggest impact. We will be practising this through a range of short stories, many of which will be linked to our current learning: The Vikings



In maths, we will spend the first few days back revisiting multiplication and division, then moving onto length and perimeter, then fractions, and finally ending with decimals.



This will be a busy term when it comes to science. This is because we have British Science Week during this term. We will be focusing on changes in matter, where we will be investigating how materials change state due to their surroundings. Also, we will be looking at a key scientist for Science week and will be presenting this to the whole school.



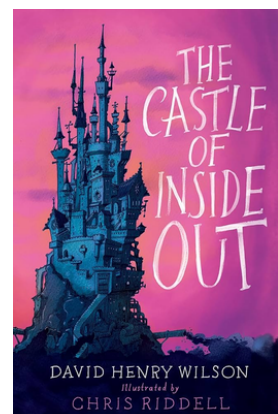
In History, our learning will be about the Vikings and the impact they had on our local area, and the whole of the UK.



## What are we Reading?

This term we will be reading *The Castle of Inside Out* by David Henry Wilson

We will also be reading a range of picture books and short texts linked to our science, history and writing topics



# Homework

Each week, the homework expectation is:

- Complete the spelling assignment on EdShed.
- Complete 20 minutes per week on TTRockstars (practising all timestables.)
- To read each day, either their school book or a book of their choice.

There will be TTRockstars club on Thursday lunchtimes and Spelling club on Friday lunchtimes to help support anyone who cannot access the apps at home that week.

Children may be asked to attend the clubs if they do not do the homework.

If you have lost or cannot access EdShed or TTRockstars, please let me know as soon as possible.

## Links and areas to support current learning.

- In English, sentence structure will be a big focus. Here is a website to help support:
- <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z88t97h/articles/zbvqkty#zns6vj6>
- In maths, one of our key areas this term is to recognise decimal equivalents of  $\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\frac{1}{4}$  and  $\frac{3}{4}$

Here's a link to help support this learning.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zhdwxnb/articles/zstqdp3#z4d3khv>

# Upcoming dates



Thursday 7th March - World Book Day

Friday 8th March - Friends of Kirk Fenton's curry and quiz night

Year 4 Forest School - 8th March

Thursday 14th and Tuesday 19th March - parents' evening

W.C. 18th March - Kirk Fenton's Science Week

Thursday 21st March - Open classrooms 3pm

Thursday 21st March break up for Easter

# PE and Music



PE will be on a Tuesday this year, so children will need to wear their PE kit that day.



Music will be on Wednesday afternoons, so children will need their instruments

# TTRockstars

Timestables are a big focus in year 4 and the children will be practising daily at school and have regular time on TTRockstars. Children are asked to spend time at home, practising these too. We will have a TTRockstar of the week for children who work extremely hard.