

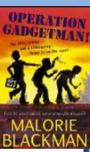
Year 4KS Autumn Newsletter

Welcome to Year 4KS. I hope you have enjoyed the summer holiday and I look forward to getting to know you and your child over the next few weeks.

My name is Mrs Saccani and I have been at Bridgewater for 9 years. I really enjoy teaching Year 4, and my favourite subjects to teach are English and History. We are lucky enough to have an Art teacher (Miss Pickup) and a PE teacher (Mr Culshaw) working with us this year.

This newsletter gives you an overview of what your child will be learning about this term. I hope to make the start back to school as easy as possible for you and your child, and I am looking forward to getting back to normal- as much as we can! I am always available at the classroom door should you need to speak with me.

Mrs Saccani



English:

We will be reading the book 'Operation Gadgetman' by Malorie Blackman.

We will be designing our own spy gadget and describing it. We will also look closely at the characters in the story and try to become detectives ourselves by working out the mystery!

P.E

We will be having P.E every Monday with Mr Culshaw. Please ensure your child comes to school on this day wearing their P.E kit. This should be black shorts / joggers, white T-shirt and pumps (for indoor) / trainers (for outside).

Maths:

In Maths, we will be focussing on the four operations and our understanding of place value. We will practise the different methods for adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing. There will also be a big focus on learning our times tables as there is a multiplication check test near the end of Year 4. You can use 'Times Tables Rock Stars: Sound Check' to practise these and there are some good tips on this website:

<https://www.mathsisfun.com/tables.html>

Weekly Timetable in Year 4:

Every day - Reading book and reading record book.

Monday – Come to school in your PE kit.

Tuesday - Homework due in.

Wednesday- Spelling test

Thursday - Homework sent home.

Friday – Swimming kit.

Swimming

We will be going swimming every Friday, so the children will need a swimming costume (no bikinis) or swimming trunks or shorts (not too long), a towel and a swimming cap. We will probably arrive back to school between 3:20 and 3:30.

Reading:

Reading continues to be of great importance. Reading every night to an adult can really help your child progress. Please encourage your child to read whenever possible and sign their Reading Records.

Science:

In Science, we will be looking at the properties of different materials.

We will be testing various items to see whether the reaction is reversible or irreversible, we will be planning our own experiments to see if we can turn liquids into gases and separating groups of materials based on their properties. There are some great videos and games on these websites:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zryycdm>

<http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/revision/Science/changingmaterials.htm#2>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/Interactive.aspx?cat=70>

History

This half term the children will be learning about the Romans as part of the History curriculum. We will answer the question 'Why were the Romans so powerful and what did we learn from them?'

We will be researching how the Romans lived, battled and their beliefs. We will be looking at Roman artwork and the Roman baths. There are many sites you can visit to find out more:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zwmpfg8>

<http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/Romans.html>

https://www.ducksters.com/history/ancient_rome.php