

# Year 4- Spring Term Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! Thank you for all the cards and gifts we received at the end of term. We hope you had a good holiday and are well rested.

## Curriculum

This term, our topic is about Global Energy and Romans. We will link our History learning with our art, D&T and literacy. The focus in Geography is on how we impact on our environment. In our Roman topic we will focus on the Roman Empire and its legacy in Britain. We will be visiting Crofton Roman Villa on the Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> April to celebrate our learning in this topic.

In Maths, the children will continue to use the Singapore approach through the Inspire maths series. More information can be found on our website and on the Oxford Owl Website. It is still important that you continue to practice mental recall of times tables and number facts in order for your children to become more fluent and confident in maths.

In Science we will be studying Electricity, which will include investigations involving circuits and batteries.

## Reading

We would like to remind you that all children need a reading folder so that they can bring a reading book home each evening. Children should read daily and make a brief comment about what they have read in their Reading Records, which we check daily.

## P.E

For indoor PE, your child needs a **plain white T shirt and blue or black well-fitting shorts**, leotard or leggings. These are to be brought to school in a small kit bag at the beginning of each half term and taken every half term to be washed. **All clothing needs to be clearly marked with your child's name.** As it gets colder, children will also need joggers, a sweat shirt and trainers/plimsolls for outdoor games. This term **Faraday** will be swimming on Wednesday morning and will have outdoor PE on a Monday. **Edison** will have outdoor PE on Mondays and indoor PE on Tuesday. Children who are swimming will need to purchase a swimming hat (£1.00) from the school office.

## Home learning

The children will be using a new home learning grid based around our topic. They will need to select an activity of their choice from the grid and date the activity they have chosen for that week. Home learning is then celebrated in school. When the children hand in their homework, they will have time to share their work with their peers and have their work put on display. We will continue to send spellings home each week that practise a rule or pattern that we have been learning in school.

If you have any concerns, please feel free to make an appointment to speak with us.

Thank you for your support

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