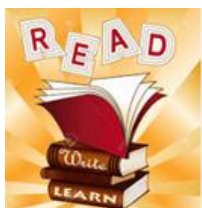


Mrs Fortescue supported by Miss Clark (Mon-Thurs)

Mrs Athey and Mrs Chisholm supported by Miss Clark (Fri)

Welcome back! I hope you have all enjoyed your summer and are ready for the exciting and very busy year ahead. I am looking forward to hearing what you have all been up to. I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you for all of the lovely gifts which I received at the end of the summer term.

In Literacy your child will be reading and writing fables, instructions and explanations and poems which create images. Through this work the children will also be focussing on the use of punctuation in dialogue, simple, compound and complex sentences and conjunctions which express time and cause. Homework will be based on spelling, grammar and punctuation. It is also expected that children will continue to read daily and have their reading record signed.



In Numeracy your child will be deepening their understanding of place value and addition and subtraction. The children will be given maths homework books and it is also expected that they learn the times tables. It is very important that children do learn their times tables as they are vital to making progress in maths, now and throughout Secondary school. This academic year the Government will be testing all Y4 children on their times tables (June 2020) More information will follow.



In History class 2 will be learning all about the Romans and their impact on Britain. This will include: Julius Caesar's attempted invasion in 55-54 BC, The Roman Empire by AD 42 and the power of its army, a successful invasion by Claudius and conquest, including Hadrian's Wall, British resistance, e.g. Boudicca and "Romanisation" of Britain: looking at sites such as Caerwent and the impact of technology, culture and beliefs, including early Christianity.



In Modern Foreign Language lessons the children will learn some basic French including colours, numbers and how to greet each other. We will use the 'La Jolie Ronde' scheme to deliver this learning.



In R.E the children will be learning about Christian lifestyles and Harvest Festival. This will include examining the importance of our own beliefs and practices, of how Christian teaching about God and Jesus affects Christian approaches to personal and social matters, and about saints and saintliness.



In Computing the children will learn about the importance of being respectful and responsible as a way to learn how to be good digital citizens. They will use the internet for research and select, use and combine software to present data and information.



In Music Class 2 will be taking part in a whole class music ensemble project which runs for the whole year. The children will be learning to play the violin. The year 4 children will be able to consolidate and develop



In P.E at Willowburn on Monday afternoons the children will be swimming. On their return to school they will continue with P.E, this half term this will be football and netball. There will



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<p>the skills which they learned last year.</p>	<p>also be P.E lessons and Forest School on a Friday. Therefore it is important that children have the necessary footwear and clothing for these activities.</p>
<div data-bbox="98 338 327 459" data-label="Image"> </div> <p>In PSHE the children will be working on broadening our friendships as we have changed year groups and will work with the Operation Encompass team delivering the new PSHE curriculum.</p>	<p>In Design and Technology the children will be making Roman Bullas' and/or Wall Hangings inspired by the Romans. They will select from and use a wider range of materials and components, including textiles, according to their functional properties and aesthetic qualities, and use a wider range of tools and equipment to perform practical tasks, such as cutting, joining and finishing, accurately. In food technology the children will design and make pizzas.</p> <div data-bbox="890 705 1390 817" data-label="Image"> </div>
<p>In Global Citizenship and SRE class 2 will be learning about self-esteem and challenging gender stereotypes.</p>	
<p>In Science the children will be learning about electricity this will include being able to identify common appliances that run on electricity. Constructing a simple series electrical circuit, identifying and naming its basic parts, including cells, wires, bulbs, switches and buzzers. Identify whether or not a lamp will light in a simple series circuit, based on whether or not the lamp is part of a complete loop with a battery. Recognise that a switch opens and closes a circuit and associate this with whether or not a lamp lights in a simple series circuit. Recognise some common conductors and insulators, and associate metals with being good conductors.</p> <div data-bbox="159 1153 1428 1294" data-label="Image"> </div>	

Reminders:

- Ford Castle parents meeting - Thursday 5th September 3.30pm
- Remember to sign your child's reading record daily
- Remember to sign your child's planner on a Sunday. Upcoming events, homework and messages will be recorded in the planner. Parents can also use the planner to send messages to the class teacher, it will be the child's responsibility to show their teacher if a message has been sent.
- As a staff team we have worked hard on developing meaningful and productive homework. Homework should be neat and well presented. Homework books should be looked after.
- If possible keep a pair of wellies in school (some children still have wellies in the cloakroom)

Many thanks

Mrs Fortescue and Mrs Athey