



St. Benedicts
Catholic Primary
School

Autumn Term 2022

Mrs Chadwick's Classroom Newsletter

Thank you for sending the children back to start the new school year looking so smart. They've made a very positive start to Year 4. I think it's going to be a fantastic year!

We have plenty of interesting topics to explore this term. In history, we are studying The Romans and their impact on Britain. We'll also do a whole topic on environmental issues and encourage the children to be aware of the impact of their daily choices.

We'll be reading 'Monster Slayer' by Brian Patten and writing our own stories...look out for our budding authors!

Year 4 is a really important year for your child to secure basic skills before moving into the upper juniors. We'll be working hard to help them to make as much progress as possible and I know we can rely on you for your support at home too.

I'll be giving you termly updates on the children's progress in areas such as times tables, arithmetic, spellings and reading.

Please do not hesitate to see me if you have any questions. I'm looking forward to working with you.

Mrs Chadwick

Y4 Homework Timetable

THE most important thing is to **read, read, read!** Please support your child to do this for about 20 minutes every day and you will be amazed at their progress over the year.

Spellings will be sent home on a Monday to practise for a spelling check the following Monday. No need to send the sheet back – keep it at home to practise.

Keep learning **spellings and times tables** through our on line programmes – TT Rockstars and Spelling Shed. 15 mins of each 3 times a week will really help.

Y4 Autumn Term Topics

Science

Electricity

Living Things in their Habitats

RE – Come & See

Family - People

Belonging – Called

Loving – Gift

Art

Textiles

History

The Romans

Music

All children will learn to play a brass instrument!

PE

Multi-Skills

Note to parents

- PE for Year 4 is every **Thursday**. Children should come to school in the correct school PE kit.
- Mrs Leyland will teach the class on a Monday morning and Tuesday afternoon. Mrs Place is the Teaching Assistant in class.
- The children will learn to play a brass instrument in music lessons. Learning an instrument benefits children in many ways. Read more here: <https://www.classicfm.com/discover-music/reasons-to-play-a-musical-instrument/>
- Year 4 children all over the country have a government times tables test in June. They need to know all times tables up to 12x12. Start early and help them to be really secure in their rapid recall of times tables facts.