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Dear Parents/ Carers,

Autumn Term 2017 Year 4

The children have settled really well into year 4 and we have had great fun learning about the Vikings in our Humanities week. With the new curriculum we now have even higher expectations for Year 4 and your support is essential for your child in helping them achieving the expected standard. Here is an outline of the work your child will be completing this term and what will be required at home.

<p><u>Mathematics</u></p> <p>Numeracy work will be focusing on developing children's understanding of number, place value and how to use written methods for addition and subtraction. We will also be focusing on helping children learn their times tables facts - which are a very important part of the Year 4 curriculum.</p>	<p><u>English</u></p> <p>This term we will firstly be focusing on writing stories set in the Viking period, before we study newspaper/report type texts after half term. We are also focusing on the key skills of handwriting, spelling, vocabulary and constructing accurate sentences in all our literacy work. In reading we will be looking at a range of reading strategies relating to both fiction and non-fiction texts.</p>
<p><u>Science</u></p> <p>Science topics covered this term will include Changing States of Matter and investigating the Water Cycle.</p>	<p><u>Computing</u></p> <p>We will introduce the children to an On-Line Safety module about how to use the Internet correctly and safely. They will also have the opportunity to spot and investigate 'bogus' websites.</p>
<p><u>Connected Curriculum</u></p> <p>Our Connected Curriculum theme has a history focus this term and is focused on the Viking Invaders. Children will learn how and why the Viking invasion took place, what life was like in Viking Britain and how there was resistance to their attacks.</p>	<p><u>PSHE and RE/Philosophy</u></p> <p>PSHE's topic for this term is Me and My Feelings and we will be thinking about: 'What can we do with feelings?' Religious Education and Philosophy will be focused on the questions of: 'Should we choose to be charitable', looking at Christianity in Action, and also 'Is peace on Earth possible?', looking at Christmas.</p>
<p><u>Art & Design</u></p> <p>Miss Riat will be working with the children on a range of different basic art skills incorporating a variety of different mediums.</p>	<p><u>PE</u></p> <p>Year 4 have PE every Tuesday afternoon. Please ensure that pupils come to school in tracksuits or have PE kits available every Tuesday.</p>
<p><u>HOMEWORK</u></p> <p>Every Friday your child will receive homework to complete for the following Friday. We also expect pupils to be reading at home regularly, both with an adult and independently, and practising their quick recall of times tables facts and their inverse, handwriting and spellings. We believe that reading is the most important skill children learn at school. It is expected that children read at home at least four times a week. The class with the most pupils reading at home will be rewarded with an additional playtime each week. There are also Bronze, Silver and Gold awards to be won! If you would like to find out more about how to help your child with their reading, please come and have a chat with us. If parents fail to hear their child read at home, they will need to attend a meeting with our Head Teacher to support them with this.</p>	
<p>Year 4Alpha Teacher - Mr. Whitney Year 4A Teacher - Mr. Hay</p>	



Ambitious young minds are the future leaders of our community

