

# Year 4 Autumn 2

## The first half-term

The children have all had a wonderful first term in Year 4. They have settled into the routines and expectations of being the older year group in Lower Key Stage 2 exceptionally well. Our topic last half-term was 'Extreme Earth'. We learned about volcanoes and earthquakes and explored how these natural disasters are managed and responded to across the globe. We explored how to make earthquake-proof buildings! This half-term our topic is 'Seeking Sanctuary'.

## The Year 4 Team

Class teachers:

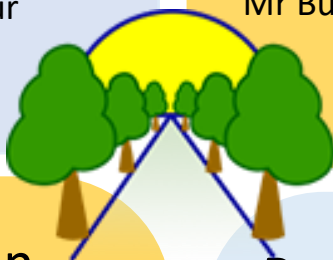
4T – Mr Thornton (Head of Year)

4RL – Mr Reynolds and Mr Lowe

4KC – Miss Knee and Mr Chambers

4H – Miss Holmes

Support staff: Miss Allain, Mrs Riddell, Mr Burrage, Miss Jones.



## Important Information

### **PE days:**

4T – Wednesday and Thursday

4RL – Monday and Tuesday

4KC – Thursday and Friday

4H – Wednesday and Friday

Please send children into school in their PE kit on their PE days.

### **Times tables:**

All Year 4 children have a statutory times tables check near the end of the academic year. We have a significant focus at school at the moment around improving multiplicative fluency. Please see the curriculum map for ways to support this.

## Reading at Home

While we don't assign formal homework in the school, please put some time aside if you are able to read for at least 10 minutes a day with your children. Children who read regularly at home develop a richer vocabulary, better imagination and can access a lot more of the curriculum independently. We fully understand that it is not always possible and there will be days when your child does not want to read. On those occasions, your reading to them can continue to develop the positive relationship with reading that we want to develop.