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Summer Term 5 Newsletter, April 2019

Welcome back. We hope you had a lovely Easter break and were able to enjoy some of the glorious sunshine. We hope you are looking forward to this term (albeit a very short one!), we know we are!

We are Authors: This term we are focussing on developing our creative writing through narrative and persuasive language. We will be exploring fantasy writing, allowing us to use our innovation skills greatly. We will be continuing to work on our editing and revising skills and remembering just because we have written something, doesn't mean it is right the first time! Also, we will be looking at how to be 'weasels' with our language choices. This will involve us using carefully chosen language to persuade others to buy junk. Dragon's Den here we come! We will be continuing to explore our comprehension skills using a new class novel 'The Animals of Farthing Wood' by Colin Dann.

We are Mathematicians: This term we will be exploring measurement and time. We will be looking at how to convert between different units of measurement and how to read analogue and digital time, including the 24hour clock. We will be exploring timetables and solving reasoning puzzles related to this area. To help, at home, with the learning of time, it would be great to discuss different forms of clocks – and focus on analogue clocks (as this is the hardest part).

Home learning: This term, weekly homework will be set on Mathletics and Spellodrome on Mondays we will be testing 10 of the spellings set on Spellodrome, and sharing in class the following week's spellings. There will be an additional 10 spellings on Spellodrome which are topic based or are common spelling errors from the class, these will change as necessary but will not be tested weekly as we should see these appearing in their work, they will, however, be tested on the first week back in Term 6.

Reminders: Please make sure you have your PE kits in school all week - our PE day is **TUESDAY** and **FRIDAY**. As our PE lessons are both indoors and outdoors, it would be a good idea to have some jogging bottoms and a jumper as well. Please ensure that if your child's hair is longer than shoulder length they have a hair band with which they can tie their hair back.

Key Information: As this term is extremely short there are only a few key dates to remember...

Wednesday 1st May 3:45 – 5pm Camp meeting for all in 4SL classroom.

Monday 6th May No School – Bank Holiday

Friday 10th May R.E Day – Sikhism

Friday 17th May Sports Day

Tuesday 21st and Thursday 23rd May Parents evening (more details to follow in the Mailbag)

Friday 24th May Open doors day Computing

Friday 24th May Last day of term!

Wednesday 5th June Leave for camp

Reminders - Please make sure you have put names in all your children's school uniform, PE kit and packed lunch box, if appropriate.

More information with additional key dates for the diary will follow. In the meantime, we operate an open doors policy, so please feel free to approach us with any questions!

We are looking forward to an exciting term 5.

Kindest Regards

The Year 4 Team ☺ Mrs Loader, Mr Barham and Ms Pemberton

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