

## **Dear Parents & Carers**

Welcome back to what will be a very busy half term! We hope you had a wonderful break. Below are details of the key learning your child will be experiencing this term.

## Miss Firth - Class Teacher Miss Cookland - Teaching Assistant

ENGLISH	In English, we will be reading Spiderwick Chronicles by Holly Black and Tony DiTerlizzi. We will be exploring genre, suspenseful settings and characters, thinking about what makes a good fantasy story. We will be writing our own suspenseful settings and story introductions, using a range of figurative language techniques to draw in our audience. Mrs Cheeseman will be teaching punctuation and grammar lessons each Monday. Spellings will be sent out weekly on a Wednesday and tested the following Tuesday.
MATHEMATICS	<ul> <li>As mentioned, Year 4 is a big year for times tables with the Multiplication</li> <li>Check in the summer so we will be continuing to do lots of practise in class.</li> <li>Additional TT Rockstars practise at home is a must, please!</li> <li>In Maths this half term, we will be exploring numbers up to 10,000: <ul> <li>Comparing and ordering numbers</li> <li>Comparing measures relating to numbers to 10,000</li> <li>Rounding numbers to the nearest 10, 100 and 1000</li> <li>Solving problems in context.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
SCIENCE	<ul> <li>Our science for this half term is Animals including humans. We will : <ul> <li>Describe the simple functions of the basic parts of the digestive system in humans</li> <li>Identify the different types of teeth in humans and their functions</li> <li>Construct and interpret a variety of food chains—producers, predators and prey</li> </ul> </li> <li>We always focus on the scientific skills for learning through pictorial symbols. During this half term the children will be setting up practical investigations and writing evaluations of their findings.</li> </ul>
<b>TOPIC</b> Cross-curricular themed activities	<ul> <li>In Geography this half term we will be learning about the United Kingdom.</li> <li>Children will be able to locate and name countries of the UK, knowing which countries belong to the British Isles, Great Britain, UK.</li> <li>Children will be taught about the history of the Union Jack Flag.</li> <li>Identify key human and physical features of the UK.</li> <li>Know capitals and key cities and understand their physical locations i.e on rivers/estuaries.</li> </ul>
R.E.	Our learning this half term will focus on communities in our local area and which communities we are part of. We will also learn about religious diversity and singular and plural communities across Bradford.
P.E.	Monday afternoon – Please make sure your child has the correct kit for this session.