

# Termtalk



Our school values  
*Harmony, Respect, Faith  
Lifelong Learning*

## Curriculum News from the Year 4 Team Autumn Term 1 2021



### Our new topic is: Land Ahoy!

Our amazing new topic this half term is called 'Land Ahoy!' The hooks for our topic are a number of sensory walks around the school grounds, school garden and a trip to Sandsfoot Beach. These walks will be used to inspire our Poetry writing.

**Science:** In this topic the children will be looking at states of matter such as solids, liquids and gases and the evaporation/condensation processes. We will use sea water to allow children to investigate what might be in the solution, whether we can separate each component and plan an investigation to do this experimenting with different methods to do this.



**History:** The children will be developing their historical skills, researching and looking at a variety of sources to explore aspects of Ancient Roman life. It kicks off with looking at the Romans and how and why they invaded and why it was so successful. We will look at how they arrived from the sea and what the land had to offer.



**RE & PSHE:** This half term in RE we will be looking at how and why we follow Jesus. In PSHE, we will be looking at feelings, emotions, conflict resolutions and relationships in a topic called, 'Me and My relationships'.

**Maths:** In maths we will continue to focus on place and value. The children will also learn mental and written methods of addition and subtraction, as well as improving their reasoning skills when solving mathematical problems.



**Computing:** The children will research and learn how to use a coding programme. They will create and design a character and give it specific actions to follow. They will also assess and critique their programmes.

**English:** The children will have the opportunity to read and identify the features of newspapers and use this to write and present their own Roman newspaper report. They will also write formal and non-formal letters as if they were a Roman soldier.



### **Physical Education:**

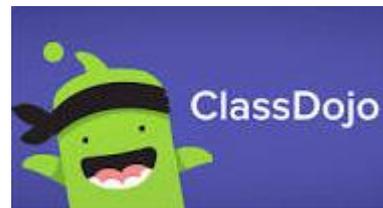
Please see class PE days below. On your child's PE they must come into school wearing their school PE kit. As we move into the cooler months please make sure your child wears plain black or navy tracksuit bottoms along with their white t-shirt and school jumper. In Outdoor PE this term we will be focusing on developing and improving our skills in football.

The PE days are as follows:

**4H Monday**

**4T – Friday**

**4P -Wednesday**



We will still continue to use Class Dojo and Dojo points. This is our communication platform for teachers, parents and children and will allow you to see more about what your child has been learning at school. Please also use class dojo as a means to communicate with the class teacher as it is checked regularly. Please be mindful that we may not be able to reply immediately if we are teaching, but will endeavour to do so at our earliest convenience.

### Homework

- Children are expected to **read 5 times** a week at home. Please support them to do this.
- Children are set weekly spelling homework online on **Spelling Shed** and maths homework on **My Maths**. Your child's logins are stuck in their Reading Record. This homework is set on a Friday and due to be completed by the following Wednesday.
- If you have any issues with technology please let us know.