



Tuesday 7th January 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to a new term and a new year. The Year 4 team are looking forward to a fun packed half term as we explore our new topics. Please see the topic web for further information about what we will be learning this half term.

This half term we will continue with our clarinet lessons, each Monday morning. Mr Weibkin has been really impressed with the progress so far! Year 4 and Year 6 will also be attending the Young Voice concert in Birmingham on January 15<sup>th</sup>.

As part of our History learning we will have a 'Roman Wow Day' (during the week beginning February 3<sup>rd</sup>). More details will follow shortly. The children will have the option to come to school dressed up as Romans.

### Reading

The children are all aware that there is an expectation for them to read at least 4 times a week, as it is the key to learning success. If you are struggling to get your child to read at home, please reach out so that I can support you.



### Homework



There will be optional homework activities set on Seesaw during the half term, to enhance what we are learning in school. There will be different challenges to suit everybody. If your child does complete any of the work set, please record it directly onto Seesaw as well as bringing in any models/drawings into school to show to the rest of the class. We encourage all children to complete at least 10 minutes of TTRS each week. In order to be ready for the times table check in June, the children will need to know all tables facts up to 12x12.

### PE

Children will have swimming lessons each Wednesday also each Thursday. Abi from Herefordshire Cricket will also be delivering the 'Chance to Shine Programme' to Year 4. Children will therefore need PE kit on both of these days.

Finally, may I take this opportunity to remind you that I am always available for a chat about anything regarding your child's schooling, no matter how big or small. Just contact the office, catch me at the end of school or email me and I will get in touch at the earliest opportunity.

Regards

Mrs Gemmell and the Year 4 team