

# Year 4 – November 2023



## Class Newsletter

*We have settled into year 4 well and have been extremely busy this term. Have a look at some of things we have been up to in Autumn 1.*

### Some of our Highlights

In Art we have been expanding and refining our drawing techniques by focusing on line and pattern. After looking at the artist Gustav Klimt and his famous painting the 'Portrait of Adele Bloch-Bauer I', we used a range of techniques: embossing, using pattern and including 3d objects into our final piece.

In Science we have been focusing on the topic of materials. We have set up a range of scientific experiments this term from looking at the rate of melting by melting chocolate using different temperatures of water to measuring evaporation by drying towels of different temperatures.

We thoroughly enjoyed making some delicious cake pops for our coffee morning and cake sale to support Macmillan. We understand that it is important to help those in need and that by donating money to charities we can enable this to happen.

We had a visit from Dog's Trust. They made us aware of how we can be safe around dogs and respect their needs. We enjoyed taking part in a range of role play situations and are now more confident when understanding how to act safely around dogs at home and in public.



### **PE Kit Reminder**

PE kit consists of a white t-shirt and blue/black shorts or joggers.

No bright/branded clothing should be worn. Children are also asked to bring a plain navy/black hoodie or a spare school jumper to wear for outdoor P.E. sessions.



### **Our Class Council Representative**



Our class council representative is Georgia. Georgia will represent year 4 in our school council meetings by sharing our thoughts and ideas about important aspects of our school life.

### **What's to come in Autumn 2**

This term we are exploring the Ancient Egyptians in History. We are learning lots of new facts and would love to share them with you. This will prepare us for our school trip to the Oriental Museum in Durham in January.

We will be beginning a new topic in Design and Technology, all about designing and decorating our own shoes. If you have any spare or old shoes at home that are no longer needed, please can you bring them into school for us to use.

Furthermore, we will be holding a class Celebration of the Word this term which parents and carers are invited to. It will be taking place Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November at 9.10am in the KS1 prayer room.

Parents Afternoon for year 4 will be taking place 20<sup>th</sup> November 1-6pm. More information to follow.

### **Peterlee 75 Celebrations**

We are taking part in the Peterlee 75 celebrations by celebrating in song. We are working with Marty Longstaff a musician who is helping us to write a song drawing inspiration from the stories and memories shared by Peterlee residents since Peterlee was built 75 years ago.