



# St Saviour's CE Primary School

## Year 4 Class Newsletter Term 2 2023-24

Dear Year 4 Parents and Carers,

I hope everyone had a great first half term and you're all looking forward to the next as we have some exciting things planned in the run up to Christmas. We have some exciting electrical experiments in Science, delicious dinners in Design Technology and the children will be creating their own podcasts in computing. We also have a trip planned for this week to the Grand Junction centre to partake in an Arts and Drama workshop!

Just as a reminder reading records need to be brought to school each day and books can be changed as and when they are finished.

Please find below a list of the subjects and the content the children will be learning this term.

<b>Subject</b>	<b>What the children will be learning</b>
<b>English</b>  Farther  Grahame Baker – Smith  Until I met Dudley  Roger McGough/Chris Ridell	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Writing a postcard</li> <li>• Setting description</li> <li>• Expanded Noun phrases</li> <li>• Instructions (chronological order &amp; Imperative verbs)</li> <li>• Formal and informal explanations</li> <li>• Plan and write a story</li> <li>• Evaluate a text</li> </ul> <p>Our class novel for this term is How to train your Dragon by Cressida Cowell.</p>
<b>Maths</b>  Fractions Decimals Measuring Multiplication And division	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Doubling and halving 3-digit numbers</li> <li>• Identify equivalent and reduce fractions</li> <li>• Written and mental addition</li> <li>• Subtract 3-digit numbers</li> <li>• Converting grams into Kilograms/ Millilitres into Litres</li> <li>• Grid method to Multiply 3-digit numbers</li> </ul>
<b>Science</b>  What is Electricity?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How can we be safe around electrical appliances?</li> <li>• What are electrical components in a series circuit?</li> <li>• How can we create electrical circuits?</li> <li>• What are conductors and insulators?</li> <li>• How are electrical switches used?</li> <li>• How can electrical components change within a circuit?</li> </ul>
<b>RE</b> What are the Beatitudes and what do they mean for Christians? Is the Christmas message of peace still relevant for today's world?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What are the Beatitudes and what does it mean for Christians?</li> <li>• What do I understand Christmas to mean for many Christians?</li> <li>• What does it mean to me?</li> <li>• What do you think the word 'peace' means?</li> <li>• Jesus is described as the Prince of Peace – what does this mean?</li> <li>• What does the Bible say about Jesus' message of peace?</li> <li>• Is this Christmas message of peace still relevant for today's world?</li> </ul>
<b>Geography</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Where are the world's rainforests?</li> <li>• What are the different layers of a rainforest?</li> </ul>



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Rainforests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What are the main features of a rainforest?</li><li>• What is the Congo rainforest like?</li><li>• Why are the rainforests being cut down?</li><li>• Why does the Amazon Rainforest matter so much?</li></ul>
<b>Design Technology</b> Cooking	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Following a recipe and make suggestions to adapt</li><li>• Use utensils and equipment to prepare ingredients</li><li>• Mixing, chopping and rolling skills</li><li>• Evaluate and adapt recipe</li></ul>
<b>Spanish</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Alphabet</li><li>• Christmas Spanish carols</li></ul>
<b>PE</b> Netball	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Passing the ball</li><li>• Shooting using correct technique</li><li>• Marking</li><li>• Full court game using high five positions</li></ul> <p>Children will need to wear PE kits every Wednesday. We will also have an additional session on a Thursday although a PE kit does not have to be worn for this.</p>
<b>PSHE</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mental Health Emotional wellbeing</li><li>• Rights and responsibilities</li><li>• Persuasion and Peer Pressure</li><li>• Media and Me</li></ul>
<b>Computing</b> Audio production	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Digital Recording</li><li>• Recording sounds</li><li>• Creating a podcast</li><li>• Editing digital recordings</li><li>• Combining audio</li><li>• Evaluating Podcasts</li></ul>
<b>Music</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Composing melody</li><li>• Pentatonic Scale</li></ul>

If you have any questions, queries or concerns please don't hesitate to contact me via email:

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Looking forward to the term ahead!

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