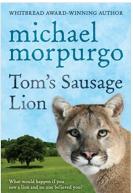


## <u>Year 4 - Spring 2 Newsletter</u>

We hope that you have had a fun filled break!
Welcome back for another exciting half term of learning.

The following learning is planned this term:

**Maths:** Children will further develop their understanding of fractions including the skill of calculating with fractions. They will engage in problem solving to apply their mastery of the learning they have carried out. Later in the half term, children will also be working on their knowledge and understanding of decimals.



Literacy: Children will be introduced to the text Tom's Sausage Lion by Michael Morpurgo. This will be linked to creative writing they will do including the innovating of new characters and the writing of adventure themed narrative. Children will also be continuing to develop their grammatical knowledge and year 4 skills including the application of fronted adverbials and the use of noun phrases expanded by prepositional phrases. We will also be exploring the text

Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them by J.K Rowling to link with our science topic of teeth and digestion. We will also begin to use

the screenplay version of the book to examine and explore play script.

PE: Games every THURSDAY

No jewellery or watches will be allowed to be worn during PE. Please don't forget to have your kit ready for PE! This half term we will be learning about Athletics. As such, please could I re-

quest that children bring jogging bottoms and trainers as part of their PE kit to ensure that they are warm enough. We will be doing lots of sprinting and running outdoors so please remind children about having a full kit.

Computing: Children will continue to develop their skills of word processing, saving and inserting. They will further explore features of text boxes and formatting. Children will learn and apply the skill of saving from the internet and inserting as opposed to copying and pasting. They will produce work for purpose and link their learning of computing to their understanding obtained from science.

Science: Children will be learning about the human digestive system. They will learn how to name and identify the various parts which make this up and what the functions of the parts are. Children will also learn about the various names for different teeth and their functions. They will investigate tooth decay. This learning will carry over to next half term.



Music: Children will be exploring rhythm patterns from graphic score.

**Personal, Social and Emotional Education**: Children will be developing and understanding of how to handle different types of relationships, developing an understanding of 'my body' and life cycles. They will explore how they keep safe and look after themselves and will learn about people who help them in various ways.

Religious Education: Children will be exploring 'what does it mean to be a Hindu in Britain today?'

## **HOMEWORK**

A homework booklet will be sent out each half term with activities. These can be done in any order. One piece is to be given in each Friday please. Children will also be bringing home spellings and times tables to continue to embed this learning for fluency and consistency.

## **READING**

All children will continue to take part in guided reading in a group with the teacher (individual reading will also take place in school)

It is expected that children still read their individual book at home at least x3 times a week please. Please fill in the reading records to show us what you have worked on in reading at home. Lots of children are telling us they have read but they have no adult comment to say which element of comprehension they have worked on or what they have discussed about their reading. Please find attached a list of questions you can ask your children. These will match the bookmarks shared on Parents Evening. Children will move their reading race car when they have a comment from an adult to indicate home reading.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs Ahmed, Mrs Cawley, Mrs Copeland and Miss LeQueux

