

# Year 3 / 4 Class Newsletter - Term 5

Dear Parents,

I hope you had a relaxing half term and are ready for another short but busy term.

We have a new Topic this Term "Best of British." We will be learning about the British Empire and what makes us Great Britain and our impact on other Countries. We will begin by looking at India.

In English, our writing will be inspired by the fantastic folk tale "Cloud Tea Monkeys" by Mal Peet and Elspeth Graham. We will start by learning how to write a non-chronological report and we will finish the term learning how to write a tale where we will defeat a monster.

In Maths this term we will start with Time before moving on to Area and Perimeter. I have also attached a Topic Web that explains the other exciting learning we will be doing this term.

## P.E and Swimming

Please remember that every Tuesday morning we will be swimming at Thornbury leisure centre so the children will need to remember to bring their swimming kit. We will continue to have the Future Stars Coaches on a Thursday afternoon and they will need their PE kits. Please make sure all uniform is labelled so it doesn't go missing or someone else picks it up.

## Reading

Please make sure that you are reading with your child every day and are writing it in their Reading Diaries. Every Friday the children have the opportunity to hand in their Reading Diary to move up on the "Race to the Sun" but not everyone is handing it in. So, can you please remind the children to hand in their Spelling book and Reading diary every Friday.

## Home Learning

Spellings are on the website. If your child forgets their spelling book on a Friday then you will be able to find them on there.

Finally, Timestables! Next term, Year 4's will sit a trail Timestable test. Please make sure you are practising with your child when you can. Chanting, playing games, online. We will continue to practice in class by it all helps.

Please don't hesitate to make an appointment to see me if you have any issues you would like to discuss.

Best wishes,

Mr Manning and the Year 3/4 team