

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to school for the second half of the Autumn Term. I am pleased to be back and excited to continue to watch the children progress further through Year 4. During the second week of term it is parents evening. There are two separate days on which you may book an appointment, one day for earlier appointments (Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> November) and the other for later ones (Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> November). I am looking forward to meeting more of you and hope to see as many of you there as possible.

The second week of term is also Anti-Bullying Week, where there is a learning focus and emphasised awareness of the issues surrounding bullying throughout school. During the third week of term (WC 19<sup>th</sup> November) it will be our formal assessment week where the children will be completing four standardised test papers in the same style they would have done in Year 3. As we move into December I am very excited to announce that we have a school trip to the Pantomime on Tuesday the 11<sup>th</sup>. The following day we have a slightly less exciting but very important date which is when the children will receive their flu jabs (Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December).

As we get closer to Christmas in the last week of term (WC 17<sup>th</sup>) we have some more exciting dates for your calendars. On Monday it is the Christmas production dress rehearsal, followed by the afternoon and evening productions on Tuesday. We have our church service and Christmas Dinner on Wednesday the 19<sup>th</sup> to round us off in the build up towards the holiday.

A brief overview of what our learning will look like this term is as follows. In Maths we will be looking at multiplication; including the formal calculations, problem solving and reasoning. In English we will be using the animation 'The Piano' as a stimulus which keeps within our theme of WW2. Also, our Topic lessons will cover our Geography objectives for this term.

**Reminders of regular routines:**

- ❖ Every Wednesday weekly homework will be set. That will consist of either an English, Maths or Topic task. Homework books are due in the following Wednesday.
- ❖ Spellings will now be sent out every Monday to be practiced at home.
- ❖ The children will need their PE kits for Wednesdays and Thursdays.
- ❖ Please could water bottles go home each day.
- ❖ If your child has any *medical* needs (e.g. epipens, inhalers, Piriton), please make sure the school has all in-date medication available.

I look forward to working with you all again,

*Mr Limmer*