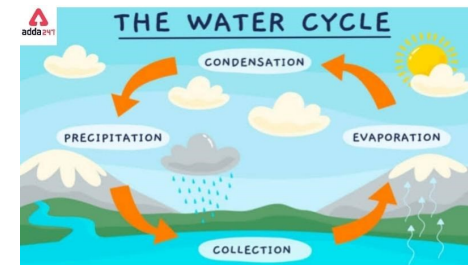


# Welcome to Year 4

The teachers this year are: Mrs. Halkett, Mrs. Burnett, Mrs. Johnson and



## Autumn Term Curriculum

This term's class text is 'Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone.' We will be using this book to inspire our writing in English lessons. Get your wizardry skills ready! We will also be linking our history work to our writing when we become Lindisfarne monks and decide 'should we stay or should we go?' when the Vikings attack our monastery.

In science, we will be learning about states of matter looking at the properties of solids, liquids and gases and how this relates to the water cycle. This is closely linked to our geography work.

Let's travel back in time to AD 450, when the Anglo Saxons settled in Britain. We will discover how they lived and changed the way we live today. What was life like for them? Then, enter the Vikings—raiders or traders? This will be our Autumn 2 history unit.

In art and DT we will look at the work of Frida Kahlo and use her pieces to inspire us to create work of our own. We will also be creating Anglo Saxon houses with framed wooden structures, which would be typically found in settlements of the time.

The children in Year 4 are privileged to learn the ukulele. Over the year, they will have the exciting opportunity to have weekly lessons with a music specialist, which will culminate in an end of year musical showcase.



## Reminders:

P.E.: This will take place twice weekly. Please ensure your child comes to school in their PE kit on Wednesday & Thursdays. Some children will be swimming on a Wednesday; parents will be made aware of this in due course. Please note that the wearing of earrings during P.E. will **not** be permitted so it would be helpful if your child did **not** come to school wearing earrings on P.E. days. Also, long hair **must** be tied back.

Water Bottles: We ask that children bring in a **labelled** water bottle in addition to any drinks in their lunch boxes. These water bottles will be kept in the classroom for use throughout the day and should **only be filled with water.**

## Homework:

**Mathematics homework** (TT Rockstars) will be set on a Wednesday and should be completed by the following Wednesday.

**Spelling homework** will be set on a Friday and it is expected to be completed by the following Thursday. There may be words for your children to learn at home.

**Reading:** Children are expected to read 3 times a week and parents need to acknowledge this by signing their reading record.

Home/School Diary: We expect the children to use this on a regular basis. Please feel free to use this to communicate with us. We'd like you to check your child's diary for the week ahead and sign this ready for us to countersign on a Monday morning.

Theme Days: Look out for more information on our Harry Potter theme day to be held after half term.

