### **Year 4KS Autumn Newsletter**

Welcome to Year 4KS. I hope you have enjoyed the summer holiday and I look forward to getting to know you and your child over the next few weeks.

My name is Mrs Saccani and I have been at Bridgewater for 10 years. I really enjoy teaching Year 4, and my favourite subjects to teach are English and History. We are lucky enough to have an Art teacher (Miss Pickup), a music teacher (Mr Charles) and PE specialists from Salford Reds working with us this year.

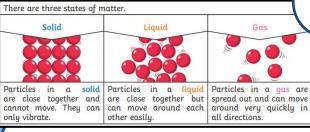
This newsletter gives you an overview of what your child will be learning about in this term. I hope to make the start back to school as easy as possible for you and your child, and I am looking forward to getting back into a routine. I am always available at the classroom door should you need to speak with me.

Thank you - Mrs Saccani



#### P.E

We will be having P.E every Tuesday with Salford Reds. Please ensure your child comes to school on this day wearing their P.E kit. This should be black shorts / joggers, white T-shirt and pumps (for indoor) / trainers (for outside).



## Maths:

In Maths we will be focussing on the 4 operations and our understanding of place value. We will practise the different method for adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing. There will also be a big focus on learning our times tables as there is a multiplication check test near the end of Year 4. You can use 'Times Tables Rock Stars: Sound Check' to practise and there are some good tips on this website:

https://www.mathsisfun.com/tables.html



#### **English:**

We will be reading the book 'Operation Gadgetman' by Malorie Blackman.

We will be designing our own spy gadget and describing it. We will also look closely at the characters in the story and try to become detectives ourselves by working out the mystery!

# Weekly Timetable in Year 4:

Every day – Reading book and reading record book.

Tuesday – Come to school in your PE kit.

Tuesday – Homework due in.

Friday – Spelling test and homework sent home.

#### **Reading:**

Reading continues to be of great importance.

Reading every night to an adult can really help your child progress. Please encourage your child to read whenever possible and sign their Reading Records.

<u>History</u> - 'Why were the Romans so Powerful and what did we learn from them?'

This half term the children will be learning about the Romans as part of the History curriculum. We will be researching how the Romans lived, battled and their beliefs. We will be looking at Roman artwork and just what impact they had on Britain. There are lots of sites you can visit to find out more:

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zwmpfg8 http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/Romans.html https://www.ducksters.com/history/ancient\_rome.php

#### **Science:**

In Science, we will be looking at the properties of different materials. We will be testing various items to see whether the reaction is reversible or irreversible, we will be planning our own experiments to see if we can turn liquids into gases and separating groups of materials based on their properties. There are some great videos and games on these websites:

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zryycdm
http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/revision/Science/changingmaterials.htm#2
https://www.topmarks.co.uk/Interactive.aspx?cat=70