

## Year 4 Summer 2 Newsletter – Welcome to our final term of the year!

Dear Parents,

We hope you had a restful break and are ready for an exciting final half term! It's hard to believe we're already in the last chapter of our Year 4 journey, but we've got lots to look forward to in the weeks ahead.

This year, we have been working with Aylesbury Vale Academy as part of the **Schools Linking Project**, which aims to build links between schools and help children connect with others from different backgrounds in the local area. Throughout the year, we have been exchanging work and learning more about one another's schools and communities. We are excited that **Aylesbury Vale Academy will soon be coming to visit our class, and we will also be visiting their school**. More details about this exciting opportunity will be shared soon.

This week, children will begin completing the government's **Multiplication Tables Check (MTC)**. We have been working extremely hard all year to learn our times tables and this is the children's opportunity to show how well they know them. I have shared details on how to use a close replica of the MTC on [www.timestables.co.uk](http://www.timestables.co.uk) and we would encourage children to continue practising at home. The MTC will take place within a **two-week window starting this week**.

In English this term, we will be reading *Fantastic Mr Fox* by Roald Dahl. At the end of the unit, we plan to watch the film adaptation (rated PG) to compare it with the book. Please let me know if you would prefer your child not to watch the film.

In Design and Technology, the children will be **designing and making Roman tunics**. To help with this project, **please could your child bring in a flat bed sheet** (ideally white or a light colour) that they can cut and use for their design.

In PSHE, our topic this term will be 'Changing and Growing Up', where **we will be learning about puberty and how our bodies change as we grow older**. This includes learning the correct names for body parts, including genitalia, in an age-appropriate and sensitive way.

As always, please ensure your child comes to school each day with the following clearly labelled stationery: writing pencils, a purple pen, glue stick, 30cm ruler, eraser and sharpener.

Finally, please see the attached Summer 2 topic grid for more information about what we'll be covering across the curriculum this term.

Thank you for your continued support. We're so proud of how far the children have come and can't wait to celebrate a successful end to the year with them.

Best wishes,

The Year 4 Team

