



OUR CLASS AT THE BIG SCIENCE ADVENTURE

# Welcome to Year 4 - Autumn Newsletter

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## WELCOME

I would just like to say hello to all of you that I have not managed to meet yet at school. My name is Mr. Bourke and I am the Year 4 teacher this year. Mrs. Coltman and I are both really looking forward to working with your children over the year!

This letter should outline what we are doing over the term. However, if you have any queries or problems please come and see me any day before or after school. I will be on gate duty Thursday mornings from 8:30am. Thursday mornings will be covered by Mrs Micklewright and the afternoons will be covered by Mr. Challinor.

Thank you for the great attendance so far and for how smartly the children have come back to school. I look forward to getting to know you over the school year and working with you to achieve the best for your children.

## Reading books

Every child now has been given a reading book. It would be great if you could read with them as much as possible outside of school. This can be logged inside their homework diaries which the children need to bring into school every day.

## PE

We will have PE on Tuesday and Wednesdays. It would be best for the children to have their kit in school on Monday through to Friday just in case this plan changes at any time.

**Snappy maths** – Each day, there is a different snappy maths game. We encourage you and your child to play the games as often as you can – you can even create your own!

## Dates for the diary

Big Science Adventure - Tuesday 12th September

First celebration assembly - Friday 22nd September

Big Adventure Science Fair - Wednesday 18th  
October 2-4pm

Homework due – Friday 20th October

## Our curriculum

**Maths** – In maths, we will be covering place value, addition and subtraction this half term. This will include using these skills to help us with everyday problems involving money, time and measure.

**English** – In English this term we will be exploring a variety of genres including letter writing, stories, poetry and biographies. We will send a letter to Sweden where our scientist was born to find out more about the country. We will also be writing a biography on our famous scientist.

**NICER** – Our challenge this term is to hold a fair to share our big adventure. Hopefully you will have heard all about our big adventure day pictured above. Our scientist is called Alfred Nobel and he created dynamite. We will look at his life and explore Europe as well as looking at artists' impressions of explosions before creating our own.