

## Year 4 Parent News - Spring



It has been great to see everyone back in school this term. Year 4 have really hit the ground running with a laser-focus on their learning. We will continue demonstrating and developing the PUPAC values that we expect to see across the school. These shared values ensure that we are creating an environment where learning is valued and supported. We use these values whenever we give praise to the children in the form of Dojo points, Star of the Day and Star of the Week. These values are; Passion, Urgency, Positivity, Aspiration and commitment (to being anti-racist). *Mr Davis.*

Please make sure that children read for 20 minutes each day.

PE takes place on Tuesday pm.

Please ensure that children follow the school dress code.

### Our learning this term

#### English

In phonics we will be segmenting, blending and manipulating sounds in words with various structures. We use the Sounds Write linguistic phonics programme. You can find activities to help at home on their website: <https://www.sounds-write.co.uk>. As a class, we will be reading 'Blackberry Blue' by Jamilia Gavin and 'Secrets of the Sun King' by Emma Carroll. We will be working at mastering writing at the sentence level. We will be creating paragraphs of expositional (non-fiction) writing this term and creating complex sentences using 'since', 'after/before' and 'even though'.

#### Maths

We will be learning how to represent fractions pictorially, to find fractions of amounts and to add and subtract fractions. We will apply that to finding fractions on a numberline. We will learn about proper and improper fractions and how to recognize equivalent fractions. We will look at time and money after half term. We will be consolidating our time table knowledge ahead of the formal times table test. We are working on the 9 and 11 times table this term. By the end of this year, your children need to know all of their times tables to 12.

#### Foundation

This term we will be learning about Rivers, learning the labels for each part and their different features. In Science, we will be learning about Electricity; making simple circuits and learning the names for the different parts of a circuit. In RE, we will be learning about Islam. We will be looking at Moses, the ten commandments and the rules and laws of Islam. For PE, we will be learning gymnastics skills.

### **Attendance**

Our school day starts at 8:45 and finishes at 3:30. We begin our first lesson at 9:00am.

Please help us to start promptly by dropping your child off on time.

At Benedict Academy, we work **hard**, we are **kind** and we are **courteous**. We do this so that we can **be successful**.



