



Tuesday 2nd September 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am delighted to welcome you and your children back to school and into an exciting new year of learning. The children have already made a fantastic start, and I am looking forward to the months ahead, filled with new challenges, creativity and discovery.

English

This term our theme is **Grotesque Grown-Ups**, inspired by stories such as *Mr Gum*, *The Twits*, *The Twits Next Door*, *The Witches* and *Matilda*. Through these books, the children will develop their reading and writing skills in fun and imaginative ways. We will write:

- Instructions for revenge pranks
- Character descriptions
- Diary entries

Maths

In maths, we will begin with **place value**, helping children strengthen their understanding of numbers. We will then move on to **addition and subtraction**, ensuring a strong grasp of written and mental methods.

Science

Our science topic for the next two terms is **States of Matter**. The children will investigate solids, liquids and gases through plenty of **hands-on experiments** to make science fun and practical.

Religious Education

We will continue to follow the **Come and See** scheme. This term our topics will be:

People – *The Family of God in Scripture*

Called – *Confirmation: a call to witness*

Gift – *God's gift of love & friendship in Jesus*

Geography

In geography, we will explore **coastal erosion** and investigate how the sea shapes the land, as well as how people adapt to changes along our coasts.

Art & Design Technology

- **Art:** We will focus on **monochromatic art**, experimenting with shades, tones and effects using a single colour.
- **DT:** Children will design and make a **book sleeve**, learning about different **fastenings** and how to apply them practically.

Music

Our music lessons will focus on **traditional instruments** and exploring how music from different cultures is created and enjoyed.

Computing

In Computing we will explore how the internet is a network of networks that must be kept secure and understand that the World Wide Web is part of it. Children will investigate who owns online content, what they can access, add, or create, and practice evaluating content for honesty, accuracy, and reliability, while considering the impact of false information.

PE

This term in PE, we will develop skills in **gymnastics** and **athletics**, focusing on balance, strength, coordination and teamwork. Our PE days this term will be on a **Monday & Thursday**. Children should come to school in their PE kits on these 2 days.

French

In French, we will learn vocabulary around the topic of **pets**, building confidence in speaking and listening.

If you wish to discuss anything with me, please come and see me at pick-up time, or arrange an appointment via the office. I am really excited for the year ahead and look forward to working in partnership with you to make Year 4 a successful and enjoyable experience for every child!

Warm Regards,
Mrs Foster