

YEAR 4 AUTUMN 1

CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER 2020

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"Happy together in God's family,
we love, grow and learn."

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back! It's great to be back in school and the children are really enjoying playing and learning with their friends. We have an action packed half term ahead and lots to look forward to in the coming weeks.

The children have grown up so much over the last few months and I have been really impressed with their mature attitude and enthusiasm. I know we will have a wonderful year together!

Year 4 will be supported in their learning this year by Mrs Wood during the week. Mrs Middleton will be delivering Art lessons on Wednesday afternoons.

In English this half term, we will be studying the author Roald Dahl. We will also be using a picture book called "The Tin Forest". This is a modern day fable with an environmental theme and links with our geography and art topics. Through this text, we will be working towards writing a diary entry, character description, narrative and recount. We will have specific whole class reading sessions and a grammar focus each week. We will also continue to work on spelling patterns and practise the Year 3/4 spelling words and homophones.

In maths this half term, we will be looking at place value (numbers to 100,000) addition and subtraction. We will also have a short session each week working on arithmetic skills and mental maths. We will have 3 sessions on times tables each week.

I am looking forward to taking the children on their science trip to Skelton Grange to enhance our work on living things and their habitat.

To find out more about the other curriculum areas we will be studying this half term, please visit our website to see our knowledge organisers. www.stmaryshorsforth.org. Knowledge organisers are for each subject and topic and have key facts that we will be learning, vocabulary and links to books your child may like to read.

Please do not hesitate to come and see me if you have any questions or concerns.

Many thanks,
Mrs Beirne



Important Days

Monday:

Reading books changed

Tuesday:

PE lesson (**come in PE kit**)

Friday:

Spelling Test

Important Dates

Tuesday 17th September

Individual school photographs

WC 28th September

School Council Elections Y2-6

Friday 9th October

Harvest Festival at 2:15pm via zoom

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Year 4 & 1 Class Mass 11am via zoom

Non uniform for Cafod £1

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Tuesday 13th October

Parents Evening 4pm – 6:30pm

Thursday 15th October

Skelton Grange Trip &

Parents Evening 4pm – 6:30pm

Thursday 22nd October

School Closes

Friday 23rd October

Training Day