YEAR 4 SUMMER 1 **CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER 2021**

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Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you all had a lovely Easter break. This half term we will be busy! I know the children are all very excited about starting swimming lessons.

In English, our book is about a young Rwandan refugee now living in the UK. Christophe is having trouble getting used to his new school, new language and new life. It is a fascinating book and the children will have an opportunity to understand the challenges faced by refugee children. Our grammar focus when reading this text will be speech punctuation, apostrophes, expanded noun phrases and fronted adverbials. In addition, we will have specific whole class reading sessions each week. We will also continue to work on spelling patterns and practise the Year 3/4 spelling words and homophones.

In geography, we continue to work on rivers and will be discovering the features of a river and the effects of flooding. In history, we will start our work on Roman Britain. This is a fascinating subject and the children will learn all about the invasion and the legacy the Romans left on Britain.

In maths this half term, we are working on decimals, money and time. We will be comparing, ordering and rounding decimals. When working with money, we will be estimating, converting and calculating with pounds and pence. We have been working on time throughout the year but this half term we will really master the 24 hour clock. Every day we will be working on times tables and once a week we will also have a short session on arithmetic skills and mental maths.

Our Religious Education topic is The Early Christians. We will learn that Peter was chosen by Jesus to play a special role in the Church and that Jesus gave his followers a mission to spread the Good News to others. They will learn that Jesus promised the Holy Spirit to help his followers and that Pentecost was the beginning of the Church. They will learn about the missions of Peter and Paul and about Stephen the first martyr of the Christian faith.

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.

Please don't hesitate to come and see me if you have any questions or concerns.

Many thanks, Mrs Beirne





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

Important Days

Monday:

Reading books changed Tuesday:

Swimming PE lesson (Kit) Friday: Spelling Test

Important Dates

27.4.21 Parents Evening -Parent cloud 4.00-6.30

28.4.21 Y3 and Y4 English meeting 4.00 Zoom

29.4.21 4.00 -6.30pm Parents Evening - Parent Cloud

30.4.21 Y1 and Y4 Class Mass 11.00 Zoom

3.5.21 Bank Holiday school closed

7.5.21 **NSPCC Number Day**

12.5.21 Y4 Class Assembly - Zoom 9.30

13.5.21 Whole School Mass 9.30 Zoom

14.5.21 Bring a flower for Mary

24.5.21 Pentecost picnic

W/b 24.5.21 STEM week

27.5.21 School closes

28.5.21 Training Day