



Dear Parents/Carers,



Welcome to Year 4! I am really looking forward to the year ahead and getting to know and teach your child.



In **Literacy** we will be looking at stories from the past which will link in with our topic in History. The children will focus on the use of descriptive language and more complex sentence work. We will continue to develop our spelling strategies and our handwriting.



Please encourage your child to read a little and often, as this is invaluable help towards developing all areas of the curriculum.



In **Numeracy** we will continue to work on understanding place value. We will use both practical and written methods in order to further understanding. The children will continue to explore mental maths strategies that can also be applied to formal methods of calculation. They will develop their skills in data handling and use the data to solve word problems.



Please urge your child to learn their timetables as this will help in all aspects of maths we are covering this year.



In **Science** we will be studying Moving and Growing in the human body. The children will carry out a number of investigations to find out how our bodies move and grow as we get older. The children will record their findings using words and diagrams.



History we will be studying the Anglo Saxons. The children will use a variety of resources, including books and the Internet, to research how people lived. We will link this topic to Literacy, Art and ICT.



In **R.E.** we will be learning about Judaism. The children will use a variety of resources to understand the beliefs and celebrations of this religion. We will also visit a local synagogue to further our understanding.



In **P.E.** will continue to develop batting and bowling skills by playing quick cricket and rounders. We will also focus on being co-operative team players.





In **Art** we will explore a variety of medium which will include paint, oil pastels and collage. The children will further their understanding of the other areas of the curriculum during our art sessions.



In **I.C.T.** the children will continue to develop research skills using the Internet. Using the lap-tops, the children will learn how to word process, edit, save and print their work. I.C.T. will be used whenever applicable in other areas of the curriculum e.g. Literacy.



In **P.H.S.E.** we will discuss and develop the ability to be co-operative and be a good team player. We will explore this through discussion, role-play and drama activities.



In **Music** the children will have the opportunity to learn a musical instrument. The Lambeth Music Project will be running these sessions every Tuesday afternoon. The children will be allowed to bring the instruments home and we would be very grateful if you would encourage them to practise.



Homework will be given out every Friday and handed in by the following Wednesday. This will include one piece of Literacy and one piece of Numeracy. Please help and encourage your child to complete it.



If you have anything you would like to discuss with me about your child, please do not hesitate to come and see me to arrange a mutually convenient time.



Best Wishes



Lucy

