

Year 4 Summer Term Newsletter 2024

Dear Parents,

I hope everybody has had a wonderful Easter holiday. As I'm sure you are aware the children will soon be making their transition from Spittal school to their new middle schools. Mrs Smith, the Year 5 head from Tweedmouth middle school, will be running some small group transition art sessions this term in our school to reassure the children and make the transition to middle school as smooth as possible. Following on from this transition visits, to the middle schools, will be arranged to take place later in the summer term

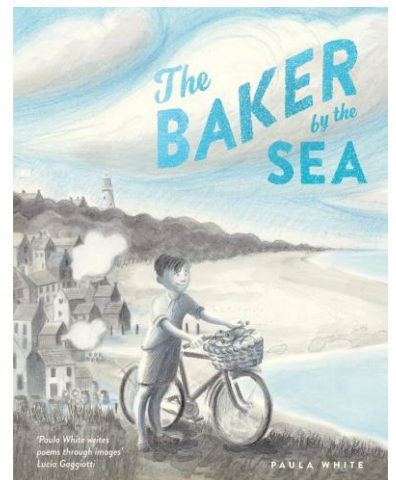
Please encourage your child to play times table games such as 'hit the button' and 'j2blast' as they will be doing the government's multiplication tables check in June. Please continue to hear your child read as it really does make such a difference! As always, if you have any questions or worries about your child, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Best Wishes,

Mr Hair

Literacy

We will be reading and studying a new picture book this term called 'The Baker by the Sea'. The action in this book takes place in the past, in a small village on the east coast of England, very similar to Spittal. Following on from this we shall be studying a book entitled 'The Matchbox Diary' which documents the life of an Italian immigrant who lives in the United States of America. We will be working on our writing and will focus on making more complex sentences using adjectives, conjunctions, adverbs, and refining how we write speech punctuation. We will also be working on improving our reading, handwriting and spelling.



Maths

In maths we will be working extra hard on learning our times tables. We will work on decimals, money, telling the time and possibly 2D and 3D



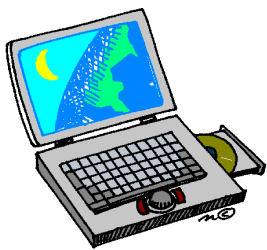
shapes. Throughout the term our emphasis will be on developing our mathematical vocabulary, reasoning and problem solving.

Science – Sound

We will find out all about how sounds are made, how they travel through the air and how we hear them. We will investigate patterns between the pitch of a sound and features of the object that produced it and investigate patterns between the volume of a sound and the strength of the vibrations that produced it.

History – The Anglo Saxons and Scots

We will look at what happened when the Romans left Britain. We will examine who the Anglo Saxons and Scots were, where they came from and how they lived? We will also examine Anglo-Saxon religion, artefacts, food, settlements writing and art.



Information and Communication Technology

We are going to learn how to code our very own programs this term. We will also learn how to improve and debug our coding.

Religious Education

We will be looking at what Christians believe was the impact of Pentecost when Jesus left and how and why people mark significant events in their lives.

Physical Education

Please ensure your child is dressed in the appropriate P. E. Kit on P.E. days. Year 4 will be doing rugby on Mondays with Mr Hall and swimming on Fridays. Please make sure they have their kit and inhalers in school.

Physical, Health and Social Education

This term we will be following our most excellent 'Jigsaw' scheme of work.