

Worship theme of the term:

Self-Control

Year 4 Autumn Term (1)
Amethyst Coral Onyx



Welcome to Year 4. We hope you've had a lovely summer and are ready to support your child during a fun-filled, action packed year of learning ahead! We would like to take this opportunity to remind you that children should be bringing a small named school bag with a packed lunch if applicable, a reading record, reading book and a water bottle into school every day. Please ensure jumpers and cardigans are clearly labelled. They may also bring a small pencil case containing a couple of pencils for writing, a rubber, coloured pencils, ruler, pencil sharpener and a glue stick.

Don't forget to pack a swimming kit (**swimming costumes/trunks and a swimming cap**) with a **towel** on the day your child has swimming lessons throughout the Autumn term. With the Summer ending, a suitable raincoat preferably with a hood, will ensure your child remains comfortable and dry throughout the day.

Y4 is a big year for securing the children's times table fluency! Any practice at home, when and wherever possible is greatly appreciated.

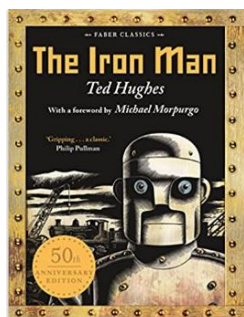
Important PE information:

Y4 PE days are on Tuesday's and Thursday's. Please ensure children attend school wearing PE kit on both days. Swimming days will be confirmed as soon as possible.

We look forward to the academic year ahead!

Mr Murphy (Onyx), Miss Smith (Amethyst) & Miss Hardy (Coral)

Building learning, friendships and faith



ENGLISH

This half term the children will be reading the exciting story by Ted Hughes: The Iron Man. Where does this metal giant come from? Does he have feelings? Can a boy save him from certain destruction? The book covers a range of themes, including isolation and loneliness, rejection and discrimination, resilience and triumph. This thought-provoking and powerfully written story is now considered to be a children's classic.

MATHS

Along with regular arithmetic and problem-solving, this half-term's learning will focus on place value and number with a focus on addition, subtraction, factors and methods of calculating. The goal of mastering all times tables up to 12x12 is a key focus throughout the year and Mrs Coleman will be looking forward to seeing those who are ready for their times table badge challenge.



SCIENCE – STATES OF MATTER

The children will be investigating the properties of liquids, solids and gases and will be planning several experiments looking at how properties change depending on other external factors such as heat and cold. Here's a question for your child to get thinking about: Is flour a solid or a liquid? How do they know?

HUMANITIES

Along with exploring geological phenomena such as volcanoes and tectonic plates, the children will be locating the places in the world which are prone to these events and finding out why. The children will also be deepening their knowledge of the Spanish language; enjoying songs about numbers and food and listening to stories about animals to build up their Spanish vocabulary. Our RE learning will focus on The Creation and The Fall and what Christians learn from this.



CREATIVE AND ACTIVE

An essential part of our curriculum will see the children develop their music skills through exploring how different pieces of music are arranged by composers and how melodies are accompanied and developed. In art, the children will develop their drawing skills in a new unit called Power Prints. PE lessons will be twice weekly, on Tuesday's and Thursday's, when they will need to come to school wearing their PE uniform. Swimming times are to be confirmed.

If you have any questions, please do email the Year 4 team at: Y4parent@parish.bromley.sch.uk