

### **Topic Work.**

Topic work will take place in the afternoons. This is cross-curricular covering all the foundation subjects. This term our Humanities topic is A contrasting locality (Flatford). We will be focusing on the similarities and differences between Flatford and Ipswich, e.g. Landscape, land use and jobs. We will be visiting Flatford during June as part of this topic.

### **Staff in Year 4 this term are:**

Mrs Norris  
Miss Nunn  
Miss Bliss  
Class 6 will continue to be taught by Miss Nunn and Mrs Norris, with the week split equally between them.

### **Teaching Assistants:**

Mrs D Norman  
Ms K Doy  
Mrs M Evans  
Mrs R Jackson



We all look forward to this term and will continue to encourage your children to be the best that they can!

# YEAR 4 NEWSLETTER



## SUMMER TERM 2008

## **Welcome**

Welcome to an exciting Summer term'. We are looking forward to a bit of sunshine, but please encourage your children to bring in water bottles and sunhats as the weather gets warmer.

We will be taking QCA tests during the week beginning 19th May, so we would appreciate it if you could avoid any absences during this week if possible.

## **Curriculum:**

This term's literacy will include stories with dilemmas, persuasive writing, play scripts and poetry. Those children who need extra support in Literacy will continue to receive small group and one to one help as necessary.

## **Writing:**

We are trying hard to keep our children motivated with homework as

some work is being handed in late. Please support us in this. We will be continuing to encourage them to work hard with their presentation and spelling



## **Reading:**

This term your child will continue with their guided reading sessions. All groups will receive a new book (for this half term) and will be required to complete their guided reading homework, as usual, on a weekly basis. The homework forms the basis for their guided session the following week. Every child must have an independent reading book as well as their guided reader, either from school or from elsewhere.



## **Numeracy:**

In our daily numeracy lessons, the children will be building on mental and written methods for all four operations (+, -, x, ÷) and continuing with problem solving. Other topics being investigated include time, measure, handling data and shape and space. We will be continuing with our daily 2-minute probes which are helping the children to develop speed in their mental maths and our weekly Key Facts programme. For those children needing extra support they will work with a TA in a small group addressing their particular weaknesses.

## **Science:**

This term we will be further investigating Habitats and Solids and Liquids.

## **P.E:**

### **PE day is on a Tuesday.**

P.E is a requirement of the national curriculum, children are only exempt on medical grounds and must have a letter to confirm this.

Please ensure that your child has a full P.E kit in school on their P.E day. (This should be a school P.E kit, no football shirts allowed!) An alternative is a plain white t-shirt and green shorts and a change of footwear (plimsolls or trainers) for outside P.E. All long hair should be tied back at all times and ear studs removed.

**Swimming**-Swimming is restarting this term. We swim on a Wednesday, before and after lunch. Please make sure your child has a suitable swimming kit—trunks for boys (not shorts), a one piece costume for girls, swimming hat and towel. All kit should be named and be inside a named bag.