

Bude Primary Academy Head of School – Mrs Sarah Robinson

Friday 8th September 2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome to Year 4! We would like to share with you some of the exciting things your child will be learning this half term.

Autumn 1 curriculum overview

Maths	Writing, Grammar and Spelling	Reading	Curriculum Project:	Science	PSHE
Place Value Counting in steps of 6, 7, 9, 25 and 1000. Recognising place value of each digit in a four-digit number. Counting backwards through zero to include negative numbers. Rounding any number to the nearest 10, 100 or 1000. Addition and Subtraction Adding and subtracting with numbers up to four digits using column addition and subtraction	The BFG (Adventure) Aladdin And the Enchanted Lamp (Traditional tale) Grammar Revise the main word classes. Prepositions. Capital letters for proper nouns. Compound sentences using coordinating conjunctions	Short texts, fiction and non- fiction, some linked to our project with a VIPERS focus (vocabulary, inference, prediction, evaluation, retrieval, summary) Class Book: The BFG Spelling Adding the prefix mis- and auto- Words ending in zhuh spelt –sure The short u sound spelt ou	Ancient Civilisations This project teaches children about the history of three of the world's first ancient civilisations: ancient Sumer, ancient Egypt and the Indus Valley civilisation. Children will learn about the rise, life, achievements and eventual end of each civilisation.	Identify common appliances that run on electricity Construct a simple series electrical circuit, identifying and naming its basic parts, Recognise that a switch opens and closes a circuit Recognise some common conductors and insulators and associate metals with being good conductors	Me and My relationships Give examples of how they can tell a person is feeling worried just by their body language. Explain what they could do if someone was upsetting them or if they were being bullied. Explain what being 'assertive' means and give a few examples of ways of being assertive.

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Reading

Every child will be issued with a reading book and diary which must be in school every day. The expectation for reading at home is four times a week, which we know can sometimes be difficult. For the more able readers, we encourage independent reading, and ask that an adult questions their child on what they have read before signing the reading record. If reading at home is a problem for any reason, then please speak to the class teacher.

Library

Year 4 will visit the school library on a Wednesday and will be able to borrow one book, which can come home. Should your child wish to change their book, they must ensure it is in school for Wednesday.

Times Tables

In June 2024, the children will take a statutory government times tables test. We will be working hard in school to teach these tables and would ask for your support in helping your child to learn them at home. If you need resources for this, then please speak to the class teacher. Thank you.

PE days

Monday (Hockey) and Tuesday (dance)

Children should continue to come to school in their full PE kit, which comprises of:

- Turquoise PE T-shirt (with or without embroidered school logo) or plain white T-shirt
- Black shorts or black leggings/jogging bottoms
- Plimsolls or trainers
- Turquoise PE zipped hoodie (optional) or other plain black or blue jumper (when required for outdoor PE)

Please make sure to dress appropriately for the weather.

Useful links

School website - Bude Primary Academy - Juniors (budejuniors.org.uk)
Follow our Facebook and Twitter pages:
Facebook - Bude Primary Academy - Juniors
Twitter handle - @budejuniors

Thank you for your support; we look forward to working with your children. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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