



## Summer Term



Dear Parents,

On the reverse of this letter you will find the subject areas that Year Four will be covering during the summer term. Our topic this term is Mayan Civilisation, which will include a trip to Cadbury World to learn about how the Mayan people used cacao. I am sure that the children will enjoy the visit and I hope it will enrich their learning of an ancient topic.

Science this term will begin with electricity and we will be making circuits, we will then look at digestive systems in humans and animals.

Reading remains a vital focus and we ask that every child still reads at home at least three times a week, as this will help us to win the weekly class reading prize. We appreciate that many of the children are now free readers, which is brilliant, however we ask if you could still encourage your child to record their home reading in their homework diaries so we are able to keep track of their progress. The children are able to change their books as often as they wish, as long as the homework diaries have been filled in and signed by an adult.

As well as reading the children will bring weekly spelling lists home to learn. They will be given out on a Monday in preparation for a test on a Friday. The children will be given some opportunities to learn these in school, however it is essential that they also take time to practise them at home too.

The class will also be given homework fortnightly. This will normally alternate between Maths and English activities, although it may also be linked to a topic lesson as well. They will be given a week to complete it and can always come to me if they need more support or additional explanations as long as it is not left until the day that the work is due in.

If you have anything that you would like to discuss with me please do not hesitate to find me in the morning or after school.

Kind regards,

Miss Rachel Simmons  
Year 4 teacher