

## **Year 4 – INFORMATION FOR TERM 3**

### **If you want to contact us, you can:**

- Email the school office (this is usually the quickest option)
- Email us directly using **year4@fva.clf.uk**
- Speak to me face to face at the end of the day once all of the children have been collected.

**Please use the following link for home learning tasks and other useful class information:**

<https://fromevalecitizens.wordpress.com/year-4/>

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to Term 3 of Year 4!

### **We are Readers**

The children have all been provided with new reading records, they also have levelled reading books or reading for pleasure books.

- You should read with your child at least 2 times a week.
- If your child reads 4 times a week they will get a house point and a class reward!
- Please make sure that your child brings their book bag, reading log and reading books every day.
- Children will be able to borrow both fiction and non-fiction books to read for pleasure at home, if they wish.
- If there is an insufficient number of reads recording in the log, children will have an opportunity to catch up on their reading over lunchtime on Friday, where they will be supervised by an adult while reading their levelled book.

### **We are Athletes**

PE is going to be taught on a Tuesday and Thursday. Please ensure that children have a PE kit in school on both days. Kit can be left in school or taken home, whichever you prefer. Please label all items of clothing.

### **We are Writers**

This term our writing will be inspired by Ted Hughes' classic story, The Iron Man.

The Iron Man is a fearsome figure, wreaking terrible destruction wherever he goes. He cannot be stopped - but it takes a child to realise that he is not simply a hostile monster, but could even be a friend. Then, when a monster from outer space threatens to lay waste to the planet and its people, it is the Iron Man who finds a way to save them.



We will write our own imagined 'prologue', detailing where the Iron Man came from and how he ended up on the cliff. There will also be opportunities to write a setting description, poetry and a newspaper report.

**We are Historians**

In History we are learning about the Viking and Anglo-Saxon struggle for the Kingdom of England, up to the time of Edward the Confessor (AD 789 – AD 1066) .

We are going to continue with our key question this term is ‘How much do artefacts help us to create a picture of the past? Is history biased?’.

We will be answering that question by studying primary sources such as the Bayeux Tapestry, Bede’s Chronicles and the Domesday stone.

**We are Home Learners**

-In addition to home reading your child will have home learning tasks. -This is accessible on the Wordpress. -Your child will receive a grid of home learning tasks that they can choose from. We will celebrate any learning at the end of the term. -Your child must also complete 20 minutes of timestable rockstars each week and practise their spellings.

**We are Mathematicians**

We will begin our learning by focussing on applying our multiplication and division skills, using our knowledge of times tables to use formal written methods to multiply 3 digit numbers.

We will move on to area, understanding what it means to find the area of a shape and finding and comparing area on a grid.

We will then move on to learn about fractions, focussing on spotting common equivalent fractions, adding and subtracting fractions and finding fractions of amounts.

**Multiplication**

It’s really important that children develop an instant recall of all times tables (1 – 12) during the course of this academic year, so that they are able to build their fluency for long multiplication and problem solving and are ready for the end of the year statutory multiplication assessment. We recommend that you practise on the TTRS website.

<https://trockstars.com/>

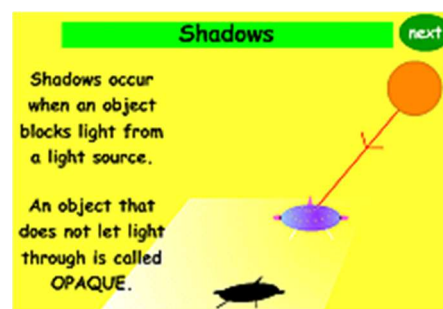
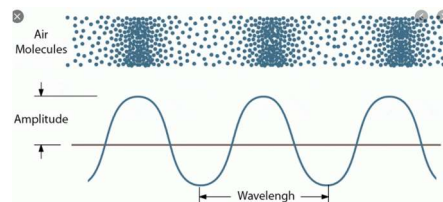
**We are Frome Vale Citizens**

Our learning behaviour this term is Self-Evaluating and our value is Trust and Honesty. In our Jigsaw lessons, we will be learning about dreams and goals.

**We are Scientists**

Our topic this term in science will be Sound. We will be learning about how sound is a form of kinetic energy, created by vibrations and that it travels in waves to our ears. We will conduct a range of investigations, including creating our own instruments to investigate how to change volume and pitch.

We will apply our learning to investigate which materials sound can best travel through in order to design ear defenders.



**We are Artists**

As artists, we are going to learn about painting. We will be studying Henri Rousseau and looking at colour, pattern texture, tone and form.