

## Year 4 Newsletter Spring 2

Our novel for the first part of the term is George's Marvelous Medicine by Roald Dahl.

We will be exploring the different characters in the book and taking some of the useful hints within the book to concoct our own 'marvellous medicine'.

We will move onto Pebble in My Pocket - using it as a model to write our own journey narrative.

This half term, the children will be continuing their learning of fractions and decimal fractions, calculating simple area and the four main functions of basic arithmetic, as well as continuing to focus on word problems; to become fluent in their language knowledge and experts at how to solve them.

We will look at a variety of strategies to improve mental arithmetic. This takes effort and commitment from home as well as school. Please help your child. These are essentials and we really must equip our children with these skills for life.

**Maths is significantly easier if you know these facts.**



**Performing Arts** - our production this term will give opportunities for children to extend their development in music, drama, dance and public speaking. All children will be part of the show and are encouraged to have a speaking part, however small.

We are very excited about this experience and warmly invite you to support our performance on 27th & 28th March 2019.



### Sound

A wonderful topic which links into our performance.

We will investigate how sounds are made, recognising that vibrations from sounds travel through the air to the ear.

We will find patterns between the pitch of a sound and features of the object that produced it. The children will use their Ukulele knowledge to make predictions and investigate these patterns.

**PSHE** - Keeping safe and managing risk: Playing safe on the internet, at the park and crossing the road.

**Art** - Drawing and Painting Artist Studies: Anja Hemmingsen and Stephanie Peters - Focus on colours and textures.

**R.E.** - Children will continue to investigate the different faiths within our community.

**ICT** - To collect - devise and construct databases using applications designed for this purpose in areas across the curriculum.

**P.E. kit is needed on Tuesday and Friday.**

**Ravens will need their swimming kit on Thursday.**



*Class Blogs: to facilitate the learning process, we regularly post learning materials online. The content of the Class Blogs will enable parents to support their child at home.*

