



# Buxton Primary School

## Rhinos Class

### Autumn 2022 Newsletter.

Dear Mums, Dads and Carers,

Welcome to Rhinos class! The children have settled back in very quickly and are ready for learning through a range of fun activities with their friends. Most routines remain the same in year 4 but here are a few reminders and details about our learning this term.

#### Staff:

**Class teacher: Miss Worsley:** This is my first year teaching at Buxton and I feel so lucky to have joined such a welcoming school! I am passionate about art and technology and love being able to make lessons practical and creative.

**Teaching Assistant: Mrs Purdy:** Here every day and a familiar face to the children in the class. Mrs Purdy worked in Year 4 last year so is very familiar with the curriculum and is particularly fond of maths and art.

#### Our school day:

Our entry point is the top of the drive through the small silver gate and our exit point will be the external Year 3 door located half way up on the main drive. Remember drop off time is between **8:20am to 8:30am** and our collection time is **3:00pm**.

**Homework** – This will be focused on practising the following core skills every week;

- Reading- In the front of your child’s reading record, you will find the expectations of reading homework each week and the key skills to focus on at this stage. Please ensure your child has their reading diary and book in school **every day**.
- Spellings – Children will have up to 10 spellings to focus on each week and then be tested on Thursdays.
- Maths/times tables – Children are required to complete a statutory times tables test at the end of year 4. To prepare them for this, they will have a

times tables homework book and regular “TT Rock Stars” practise to develop their fluency.

Homework will be sent home every Friday and should be returned on the following Wednesday.

In addition to this, we will be having termly projects with a focused theme for the children to get engaged and creative in their learning.

**Belongings** – Please remember to send your child in with a named coat and water bottle every day and a hat in hot weather.

**Bus children**– There is a large number of children on the bus in Rhinos class. Please email the office or send in a bus slip on Monday mornings.

**PE** - PE Days will be on Thursday and Friday. Please ensure that your child comes to school on these days wearing their School PE kit (underneath a tracksuit if it is cold) and your child has their hair tied back, if long, and earrings/jewellery removed on these days. ½ of the class will go swimming in Fridays PE session and swapping after half term.

**Learning** – For this term we will be focusing on: -

<b>Science</b> – sound and animals including humans.	<b>Computing</b> - Online Safety, the internet and technology in our lives.	<b>PE</b> – OAA (Outdoor Adventurous Activities) and Swimming
<b>English</b> – Myths and legends Newspaper reports Haiku poetry.		<b>Maths</b> – place value, column addition and subtraction, fractions and times tables focus.
<b>History</b> – Ancient Greece		<b>Art</b> – Surrealism – Salvador Dali
<b>Guided reading</b> – The lion, the witch and the wardrobe.	<b>PSHE</b> – votes for schools and relationships.	<b>RE</b> – Buddhism -What do Buddhists believe about God?

**Please note;** the children will be set individual targets in English and Maths.

Kind regards, Miss Worsley