



# Buxton Primary School

## Rhinos Class

### Spring 2023 Newsletter.

Dear Mums, Dads and Carers,

Welcome back! I hope you have all had a wonderful Christmas break.

To begin with, I just wanted to thank you for all of your support with homework last term. I understand that it is not always easy to complete work outside of school but it is essential that we catch up and continue to develop core skills including spelling and times tables following missed schooling due to Covid. Please continue to support your children with the work they are being set for homework to be handed in on a Wednesday.


**Reading:** Please continue to read regularly with your children. At this point in the term we are aiming to build stamina with reading larger pieces of text as well as working on comprehension skills. Please continue to read 3 times a week as part of homework and record in their reading records.

**Spelling:** This is an area where all children in the class are aiming to improve. To support them with this, we will continue to send home spellings each week for children to learn. As with the rest of the homework these should be handed in on a Wednesday which will then be tested on a Thursday.

**PE** - PE days have changed this term to a **Tuesday** and a **Friday**. Please ensure that your child comes to school on these days wearing their School PE kit (underneath a tracksuit in cooler weather). Long hair should be tied back and earrings removed prior to school on these days if your child cannot do this themselves.

**Maths/times tables** – Nationally, all children in the early Summer Term in Year 4 are required to complete a statutory times tables test ('Multiplication tables check'). To prepare them for this, it is important to complete the page set in their times table books each week as well as spending regular time on TT rockstars so that children are well prepared for this assessment.

**Learning** – we will start with the following learning focus for this term;

<b>Science</b> – Animals and their habitats. Electricity. <b>Computing</b> – Writing for different audiences	<b>Maths</b> –Written addition and subtraction. Fractions. Properties of shape.	<b>Art</b> –Carl Warner photography. Painting – impressionism.
<b>PSHE</b> – votes for schools.		<b>Geography</b> – Europe.
<b>Guided reading</b> – Deadly Creatures.	<b>English</b> – Narrative poetry. Persuasive writing, Fantasy – How to Train your Dragon and non-chronological country report.	<b>RE</b> – How do Buddhists express their religious beliefs in Modern Britain and China?

In addition to the above, children are going to be enjoying their fortnightly enrichment sessions as well as a weekly French lesson. This term Year 4 will also be taking part in weekly **Forest Schools** sessions every **Thursday**. Please ensure that your children come on this day with wellies and appropriate outdoor clothing as per the email you will have already received.

I'm looking forward to another amazing term with the class. If you need to speak to me about anything please feel free to get in touch with the office and I will get back to you as soon as I can.

Kind regards,  
Miss Worsley