



# St Mark's CE Primary School

*'Loving to Learn, Learning to Love'*

## Year 4 Newsletter

### Summer 2

#### What was life like in Victorian Britain?

During this half term, Year 4 will be investigating life in Victorian Britain. We will learn about how the Victorians shaped the world today and the effect that the industrial revolution had. We will also learn about the second longest ruling monarch in our country and how she influenced our country and world.

#### English

This half-term, we will use the non-fiction text 'Queen Victoria' to support our writing.

We will focus on non-chronological reports firstly, re-visiting skills such as tense use, adverbials and different sentence types.

Secondly, we will investigate letter writing, focusing on the differences between formal and informal styles and thoughts and feelings.

We will use these skills to write a letter to our new teacher!

#### Reading

Please continue to listen to your children read every night at home.

All children that read 5 times a week are put into our weekly raffle to win a brand-new book.

The children will have daily guided reading sessions as well as individual readers with the class teacher or support staff.



#### Science

In Science, Year 4 will be exploring the topic of sound. We will be investigating how sound is made and travels, and why sound changes the closer or further away from it you are.

We will then investigate what pitch is and how it can be varied, before learning how sound can be absorbed.

#### Maths

In Maths, the children will be focusing on geometry for the first part of the half term, investigating the properties of angles, triangles and quadrilaterals.

Following this, the children will move on to position and direction, where they will investigate angles and turns, before moving on to plotting points and translations.

All children have access to Times Table Rock Stars online. Please encourage your child to access this at home as it will help with their multiplication skills.

#### P.E.

For children in **4C** will be on a **Wednesday afternoon** and on a **Friday morning**.

For children in **4W** will be on a **Tuesday afternoon** and on a **Friday morning**.

Please ensure that your child is in their PE kit on those days.

Our PE kit is black tracksuit bottoms or shorts, a white t-shirt and black pumps or trainers.