

## Year 4 Newsletter



Welcome back Year 4! Our Topic question this term is 'How do our lights work?' We will be learning all about Thomas Edison, conducting research into the origins of his inventions and thinking about how technology has developed. Alongside this, we will be exploring the distribution of energy across the country and the journey electricity takes to make our lights work.

Our RE topic entitled 'Self-Discipline' is all about celebrating the growth of new life in Christ, in preparation for the feast of Easter. Our Big Question for this topic is 'Is self-discipline important in life?' We will be exploring how self-discipline helps us to grow and reach our full potential.

### Homework and Spellings

Homework is to be handed out each week on a Friday and returned the following Wednesday. A register is kept of all homework returns, including late returns. Please encourage your child to complete their homework on time and hand it in. Your child will have their weekly spellings checked on a Monday. This may be in the form of recall, identifying spelling patterns or using the words in a sentence. Please encourage your child to practise their spelling words and patterns at home.

### PE

We will continue our swimming sessions on a Friday morning. Please make sure your child has the appropriate swimming kit, this includes a swimming cap and may include goggles if desired. Children must be able to remove earrings themselves and also ensure long hair is tied back.

### Supporting Learning at home

You can help our learning by supporting your child at home with the following key learning steps:

- ⇒ Practise times tables (2x up to 12x, including inverse calculations)
- ⇒ Learn to tell the time and reading timetables
- ⇒ Daily reading at home
- ⇒ Practise spellings

Parent volunteers are always welcome to help support our learners in their education.

Children's University is continuing this term. If your child takes part in any extra curricular activities or visits, these hours can be logged on their Passport for Learning. Don't forget to log on and record those activities to help work towards the certificates and graduation!

*Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.*

**1 Peter 4:10**

### Class Dates

- ◇ 20th February—St Norbert's At Work
- ◇ 21st February—Year 4 Class Worship
- ◇ 1st March—World Book Day
- ◇ 14th March—Lenten Reconciliation Service
- ◇ 14th March—Book Fair Arrives
- ◇ 14th/15th March—Parents Evening
- ◇ 26th March—Year 3/4 Football Tournament
- ◇ 28th March—End Of Term 4

### Article 9

You have the right to a good quality education. You should be encouraged to go to school to the highest level you can.