# Year 4 Newsletter Sept/Oct 2018

## **Topics**

Safety; looking at First Aid, 999 emergency services, assessing risks and dangers. Investigating safety in the home, at school and when I'm out and about.

We will also explore looking after ourselves through healthy eating, exercise and personal hygiene. It would be greatly appreciated to build on your child's curiosity of this topic by sharing your own knowledge with them and asking them questions about what they have learned.



## Literacy

Reading: In Primary 4 a great emphasis needs to be placed upon reading. The children take part in the Accelerated Reading and Paired Reading programmes. We ask you to continue to encourage your children to read a variety of books to ensure their success in these programmes. Please ensure you spend some time listening to your child's reading every night. Spelling: your child will have a weekly spelling test, it is important in their spelling development to look over these spellings daily. Writing: Our writing focus this

term will be on recount and narrative story writing skills focusing on a spooky story.

Therefore, it is important you discuss with your child vocabulary and any spooky stories you could share with your child to aid their imagination.

## Numeracy

This terms focus will be on number bonds to 20. We hope you will practise the number bonds every night with your child (these can be found in the Things I Need to Know booklet).

Also place value, initially recapping TU and progressing on to HTU. Your child will be developing their abilities in ordering numbers to, addition and subtraction of numbers to 999.

The Numeracy topics also covered will be time (inc. digital), 3D shapes, measuring (metres) and dealing with money (up to £5.00).



#### Reminders

School closures
Staff training: Fri 28<sup>th</sup>
September.
Halloween: Wed.31<sup>st</sup> Oct Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov

P.E

Your child needs to bring in suitable P.E gear (T.shirt, shorts/ tracksuit bottoms and trainers.

Our charity focus for September will be the Foyle Hospice.
Children are asked to contribute what they can towards our Friday collections.

We will also have our book fair at the end of September. This event lasts for a week and is a valued resource for the school in building up book supplies. We would greatly appreciate your support in this event.