



# St Philip's C of E Primary School

Year 4 Newsletter Spring 2026

## Our learning this Half Term...

### Mathematics

We are learning about Multiplication and Division and will later be focusing on Fractions and Decimals! Keep practicing those times tables because they are very important!

### English

We will be reading a book called 'Libba' by Laura viers, which is based upon a woman called Elizabeth Cotton who played the banjo upside down and backwards as she was left-handed. She later became known as the singer of 'Freight Train.'

### Science

We are learning all about Electricity and how to make a working circuit. The children have used their problem-solving skills to create their own switch and figured out how it works.

### Geography

We are learning all about Rivers, discovering what meanders and courses are, as well as a fun visit to Bolton Abbey to do some field work.

### RE

We are focusing on Christianity, who 'God' is and the story of Abraham too.

## Next half term...

We will continue looking at Multiplication and Division and move on to Fractions and Decimals. We will also be deep diving into our Multiplication Practice. In English, we will look at our next book called 'Boy at the Back of the Class' focusing on developing our writing. In Science we will move on to 'Living Things' learning all about Adaptation and Habitats.

## Reminders:

### Times Tables

- It is important that your child knows their multiplication tables – they can practice on TTRockstars.
- We expect children to spend 20 minutes a week practicing their times tables on TT Rockstars.
- By the end of Year 4, they must know all their times tables up to 12x12 to get them ready for their Multiplication Check in Summer.

### P.E

- PE kit on Mondays and Wednesdays.
- Please ensure they are in the correct kit.

### Reading Expectations

- Remind your children to change their books regularly. There are always books available in the classroom.
- We also go to the library on Tuesday afternoon so make sure borrowed books are in school.
- We expect every child to read a minimum of 3x per week for at least 20 minutes. In Year 4 this should be a mixture of reading independently and to an adult.

### Spelling Test

- We will have a weekly Spelling Test on Tuesdays. Spellings were sent home at the start of term.

## Finally...

Thank you to all the parents that came to see me in the Target Meetings!

The children have continued to improve since last term and have made brilliant progress. I can't wait to see you all at Bolton Abbey!