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Dear Parents/Carers,

This half term in Year 4 our topic is 'Rivers'. This topic looks at the earth's rivers and oceans whilst considering the impact humans are having on the environment. Our English work will be based on the books Frindleswylde and the Crown. In maths, our focus will be multiplication and division. In Science, we will be learning about Sound.

PE

As the weather gets colder, the children will need to wear a warmer PE kit (plain blue/black jumper and tracksuit bottoms) as we will still be taking them outside for many of our PE lessons. PE will be on Wednesday and Friday afternoons. Please note, earrings will need to be removed for all PE lessons. If children are unable to take part, please inform us in writing.

Home learning

Home learning will be sent home on a Friday and is due in on Wednesday of the following week. Each week they will have a maths task and a spelling list. If your child has any difficulty, please write a note to let us know so we can follow this up in class. In addition to the weekly homework, a menu of home learning choices will be sent home. Over the course of the half term, children will be expected to complete 3 of the activities although children can complete more if they wish.

Reading

In Year 4 children should read for at least 20 minutes every day and they should record this in their reading records. Wherever possible, please listen to your child read and ask questions to ensure they have understood what they have read. Please sign their reading record 3 times per week. On days when it may not be possible to listen to your child read, they should still record what they have read independently into their reading records. Below is a list of books taken from the recommended reading list for Year 4. To encourage all children to read across a range of books, these are some suggestions of texts which could be read independently or can be read to them by an adult at home.

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Suggested books for this half term:

Frindleswylde	Natalia & Lauren O'Hara
The Crown	Emily Kapff
Street Child	Berlie Doherty
The Dream Master	Theresa Breslin
Encore Grace!	Mary Hoffman
The Diamond Brothers in The Falcon's Malteaser	Anthony Horowitz

Spellings
Each week the children will be given a list of words to learn as part of their homework. The children will be learning spelling rules and patterns in their spelling sessions in class, so it is important that the spelling words are practised ready for their weekly spelling test each week. Spellings will be given on a Friday, and the spelling test will take place on the following Friday.

Times tables Rock Stars
As the children are now in Year 4, the expectation is they should be fluent with their times tables. A fantastic way to practise this is to use Times Tables Rock Stars. This can be accessed at home through the Times Tables Rockstars website or app. This can be downloaded on a phone or tablet too. If children play the 'Garage' or 'Arena' games, this will help them progress quickly through learning their times tables. 'Sound check' is fantastic for practising how the Government Multiplication Tables Check will be at the end of the year.

Communications with parents
Please remember at Cuddington Community School we welcome you to talk to us about any issues or concerns you have. We put the children first and only want the very best for them. If parents have any questions or would like to discuss something with the class teacher, then please email me directly (sally.furner@cuddington.thpt.org.uk) or call the school office to arrange a telephone appointment.

Thank you for your ongoing support,

Mrs Furner