



# Just a note to say...

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you've had a fantastic summer break and our Year 4 children are ready for the new academic year ahead. With the 100th birthday of Roald Dahl on the horizon, we thought this would be the perfect opportunity to study his life and works and therefore our topic this half term is 'The Wonderful World of Roald Dahl'.

Across the curriculum, children will be engaging in activities related to many of Roald Dahl's famous stories. They will be creating 'dream jars', classifying the characters and creatures found in his books, drawing Quentin Blake style illustrations, developing PowerPoint skills to create a 'Revolting Rhyme' storybook and performing a Dahl classic.

Basic skills in English will continue to be essential; we will be focussing on grammar, spelling and handwriting on a weekly basis. Children are expected to read at home regularly and we thank you in advance for your support with this. Furthermore, as part of our topic work, we will be comparing book and film versions of 'James and the Giant Peach' and studying the life of Roald Dahl in order to write biographies.

Being the building blocks of mathematics, basic number and calculation strategies will be a high focus this half term. These will be taught alongside others aspects of Maths such as shape, space and measures. Alternate Fridays we will be testing Mental Maths and Arithmetic to help children develop mental strategies and recall of number facts.

P.E will be taking place twice a week. Children should be bringing their kit into school on a Monday and keeping it in school until Friday. Please ensure they are equipped for both indoor and outdoor P.E.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any queries or concerns. We look forward to a marvellous year ahead and look forward to working together.

The Year 4 team,

Mr Henfield



Miss Jones



Mrs Longmire



Mrs West



Mrs Thompson



### Key Dates:

13.9.16—Whole school Roald Dahl day

23.9.16—Sponsored Walk—parents and carers welcome (PM—letter to follow)

6.10.16 and 10.10.16—Open Evenings

19.10.16—Y4 Topic Celebration—parents and carers welcome (PM—letter to follow)

# NJS Homelearning

## Log



## The Wonderful World of Roald Dahl

Where was Roald Dahl born?

Who is Roald Dahl?

Can you name 5 Roald Dahl books?

### Year 4

Name: .....

# Autumn 1

Tasks	Choice of Home Learning Tasks	Parent comment	Staff comment	Pupil Comment
1	Find 5 interesting facts about Roald Dahl and present them in an interesting manner.			
2	Design a giant for the BFG story. <i>Draw it, describe it, name it.</i>			
3	Create your own Marvelous Medicine. Tell us what ingredients are in it and how much of each.			
4	Willy Wonka wants you to create a new sweet or chocolate and design a poster to advertise it.			
5	Write a detailed description of a Roald Dahl character.			
6	The BFG took Sophie to Giant Land. Where would the BFG take you? Write about your adventures.			

# Topic Top Tips!

1

Pick an activity

2

Give it a go!

3

Leave a comment

4

Hand it in!

## Core Subjects Home learning Focus

Autumn 1 Spelling Patterns	Maths and English
<p>Words ending in -sure</p> <p>Possessive apostrophe</p> <p>Homophones</p>	<p>Education City Tasks  <a href="https://ec1.educationcity.com">https:// ec1.educationcity.com</a></p> <p>See Reading Record for login details.</p>

