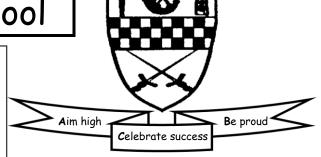
# Mauricewood Primary School

Welcome to our first newsletter of Primary 4. It has been lovely to see the children returning to school full of enthusiasm! We have a busy term ahead, with lots of different activities planned. We will be spending time outside this term so please make sure the children have a waterproof jacket with them each day.



### Literacy

The children will start the term with a short novel study about The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark. Our first block of writing will focus on instructions and be tied to the text 'How To Trap a Dragon'. Reading books will soon be sent home with tasks to be completed at home. During the term the children will prepare and deliver a short talk about themselves.

## Numeracy

We are starting the year with a focus on place value, working with increasingly large numbers as confidence grows. As well as ordering and sequencing numbers we will look at how large numbers are constructed. The children have started to learn some multiplication tables and we will also look at related division facts. In Maths we are learning how to use the calendar to plan events and calculate durations of time.

# Learning in other areas of the curriculum

In Science this term we will be learning about forces and magnets. Our main focus in Social Studies is looking at climate zones. This will involve learning about different parts of the world and finding out how climate impacts on the way people live. There will be opportunities to link this to world events where appropriate. RME this term will be taught by Miss Ball and she is looking at different Christian festivals.

Health & Wellbeing
We are starting the year by focussing
on ways we can manage our feelings
and emotions and consider how Zones
of Regulation can help us with this. As
we start to build our new class
community, the children will have the
opportunity to discuss rules and shape
the way the classroom runs.

### Other Information

We have PE on Friday with Miss Ball. The children should come wearing their PE kit. Seesaw: I will share regular updates from the class along with information about upcoming events.

Library: This term we will have a fortnightly visit to the school library and the children will be able to select a book.

If you have any questions or queries please do not hesitate to get in touch. You can call the school office or contact me via email. Lesley Burrell