



# Shakespeare Primary School

## Year 4 Newsletter Summer Term 2022

### Don't Forget...

- Please continue to encourage your children to use their Read and Respond Book to complete homework, learn spellings and read four times a week.
- Lots of our exciting moments are tweeted. Follow us at @shakespearels9
- The school website has an E-safety section with a comprehensive list of ideas of how to keep your child safe on the internet. Please take a look.

### Important Dates

- Monday 18<sup>th</sup> April – Bank holiday
- Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> April – Y4 Leeds Playhouse Workshops in school
- Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April – First swimming lesson of the term for 4R and ½ 4B (Continue every Tuesday)
- Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May – Bank holiday
- Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> May – Parents' evening
- 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> May – Y6 SATs week
- Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May – Y4 Skipping Festival
- Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May – 3pm Break up for half term
- PE Days
  - 4B** Tuesday and Wednesday
  - 4D** Tuesday and Thursday
  - 4R** Thursday and Friday

Our Learning Project for Summer 1 is...

## Potions

### Why does an ice lolly melt?

We will be using our scientific skills to learn about different states of matter and the properties of solids, liquids and gases. We will be comparing and grouping materials together according to whether they are solids, liquids or gases before exploring how some materials are able to change state when they are heated or cooled. Our scientific exploration will help us learn about freezing, condensation and evaporation and, eventually, help us to understand the particle arrangements of solids, liquids and gases. As scientists, we will be investigating and asking scientific questions, coming up with predictions and making accurate measurements to help answer these questions. We will also be learning about the history of medicine, particularly focussing on the role of Mary Seacole in nursing and Florence Nightingale's role in improving public health in Leeds. We are also looking forward to another incredible art project, as we learn about the work of mixed media artists to create a mixed media potion bottle inspired by our class novel for this half term, *Alice in Wonderland*. In English, we will use the novel as inspiration for writing fantasy stories, instructions for a potion of our own and even playscripts, which will link in with the drama work we will be doing with members of staff from Leeds Playhouse. In a word, this project will be *magical!*

#### Maths

- Decimals; Money; Time

#### Other Areas of Learning

- PE – Cricket and Netball
- PSHE – Identity, society and democracy: Stereotypes, discrimination and prejudice (including tackling homophobia)

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