

# St George's Class

Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy New Year!

I hope that 2025 brings you all peace and happiness, and I hope that you all had a good Christmas break.

Our topic this term is 'We are Scientists!' During this topic we will be mainly focusing on Science and electricity. The children will learn about the dangers of electricity; before learning how to build a variety of different circuits. We are also very fortunate to have Gloucestershire Music come to teach the children the violin!

This term, in RSHE, we will be learning about Puberty. We will be discussing the changes that happen in male and female bodies, using key scientific terminology. This is part of the Science curriculum and we will be following 'Life to the full'. If you would like to discuss with me then please do not hesitate to catch me in the playground.

One of the key hurdles in Year 4 is the times tables check in June. In preparation for this, we will be practicing lots of strategies to help the children with test technique and multiplication fluency. However, regular practise of times tables really makes a difference so please take as many opportunities as possible for the children to practice. [www.mathsframe.com](http://www.mathsframe.com) is a free resource we use in school that can help them develop the skills they need for this check.

Just a few reminders for the term ahead:

- Children should be reading at least 5 times a week.
- Times tables are SO important so please practice as much as possible.
- PE is on a Tuesday (Swimming) and Friday and children should come into school in their PE kits on these days.
- The children should bring in a piece of veg/fruit for their snack for break time and water in their bottles.
- Homework should be submitted on a Wednesday via Teams.
- Spellings and homework will be set every Friday on Teams.
- Spellings should be practised at home.

Thank you for your support with the children's learning. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to bring this to my attention.

We look forward to the exciting term ahead!

Miss Keightley ☺