



# YEAR 4

## NEWSLETTER

Our newsletter is sent out fortnightly to keep you up to date.

Friday 28th March

Our children have had a fantastic few weeks, working incredibly hard and representing the school brilliantly. From immersing themselves in history during Roman Day to showcasing their skills and determination in the skipping competition and dance festival, they have truly made us proud! Their enthusiasm and teamwork have shone through in every event. Now, with just a few days to go, the excitement is building for next week's residential. The countdown is well and truly on, and we can't wait to see them embark on this unforgettable adventure!

### Roman Day

The children had an amazing time immersing themselves in the world of the Romans, thanks to an engaging workshop delivered by Durham University. They explored a range of



fascinating artefacts, carefully examining each one to understand its purpose and how it was used in daily Roman life. They were also challenged to interpret a Roman certificate written in Latin, deepening their



understanding of the language and culture. One of the highlights of the day was creating their own Roman coins using an embossing technique, bringing history to life in a hands-on and creative way. It was a fantastic experience that left the children inspired and eager to learn even more!

### Whitley Bay dance Festival

Over the past few weeks, the children have worked incredibly hard rehearsing their dance routine based on the theme of unity. Through their performance, they creatively brought different work sectors together, showcasing teamwork, collaboration, and inclusivity. Their dedication and enthusiasm were evident as they took to the stage at the Whitley Bay Playhouse, delivering an amazing performance in front of a packed audience. The staff at Southridge First School are incredibly proud of their achievements and the way they represented the school with such confidence and talent!



### French

The children have been enjoying their French lessons and have been working hard to learn the names of different animals. They have also been practising how to say what pet they have using the phrase "J'ai un/une..." (I have a...). For example, they can now confidently say "J'ai un chien" (I have a dog) or "J'ai une tortue" (I have a tortoise). It has been wonderful to see their enthusiasm and growing confidence in speaking French!

### Skipping Festival

The children put on a fantastic display of skill and determination at the Skipping Festival at the Lakeside Sports Centre. They were amazing in both their individual and team skips, demonstrating excellent coordination, perseverance, and sportsmanship. Their hard work and dedication in the lead-up to the event truly paid off, and they performed brilliantly on the day. They represented the school exceptionally well and were a real credit to themselves. Well done to everyone who took part - we are so proud of you!



Proud to make a positive

This week, the children had the privilege of speaking with Farmer Ian via video call. He gave a fascinating insight into the production of tulips, explaining the different processes involved before they are ready to be sent to supermarkets. The children were amazed to learn about the care and effort that goes into growing these beautiful flowers. He also shared how the farm is helping the environment and supporting wildlife by planting hedges, providing important habitats for various species. It was a fantastic opportunity for the children to deepen their understanding of farming and sustainability!

### Diary Dates

High Borrans week– Monday 31st March with Mrs McIntosh's class

High Borrans week-Wednesday 2nd April Mr O'Hara's class

Y4 Easter assembly - Wednesday 9th April @2:30

Southridge Sponsored Fun Run– Thursday 10th April

Last day of term– Friday 11th April

Return to School– Monday 28th April