# Broke Hall Primary School Year 4 Newsletter Spring 2024

This term we will be studying Shackleton's Antarctica in geography. We will learn about the physical and human geographical features of the continent and map Shackleton's journey. During the second half of the term our learning will turn to The Vikings. We will focus on where the Vikings came from and why they came to Britain. We will look at what evidence we have of Viking settlements and consider the similarities and differences between the daily life of the Anglo Saxon and Viking people. Our science topic is electricity where we will be learning about how electricity is generated and how to construct simple circuits. We will learn about the function of switches and how materials can be used as insulators or conductors.

## Maths

This term we will be focusing on multiplication and division and the application of these in relation to problem solving. We will also be studying area, fractions and decimals. Please continue to encourage your child to learn the multiplication facts up to 12 x 12.

## Homework

Homework is an important part of your child's learning. Every two weeks your child will receive a piece of homework related to their learning in school. This will be given out on a Wednesday and collected in the following Tuesday.

## Whole Class Reading

4C are reading The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe, 4LR are reading Viking Voyagers and Peter Pan and 4B will be reading The Iron Man and The Boy at the Back of the Class. Each class will explore various activities including art, drama and role play as well as listening to the teacher read and echo reading. All the children are thoroughly enjoying their books this term!

## P.E. and Games

P.E. and Games will now take place on a Tuesday (gymnastics indoors) and a Wednesday (Basketball outdoors). Please ensure your child brings in a named P.E. kit on these days and some warm kit for outside.



#### Music

Music lessons will now be on a Wednesday afternoon. Please see the dates below for when each class will need their ukuleles in school.

4LR	4B	4C
10 <sup>th</sup> Jan	17 <sup>th</sup> Jan	10 <sup>th</sup> Jan
24 <sup>th</sup> Jan	24 <sup>th</sup> Jan	17 <sup>th</sup> Jan
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14 <sup>th</sup> Feb	14 <sup>th</sup> Feb	7 <sup>th</sup> Feb