**Welcome back to a new year,** a new term and new beginnings. The children have all settled in well to their first week in year 4. We start the year with our topic; **CHOCOLATE.**

In **English** this week, the children have enjoyed being introduced to this term’s class story ‘Charlie and the Chocolate Factory’; listening to and learning about the language of Roald Dahl and writing a character profile for the characters in ‘Charlie and the Chocolate Factory’, focusing on using similes and adjectives.

**Next week the children will**:

* Continue to Investigate the descriptive language of Roald Dahl
* Create and describe a character of their own
* Write a description of a setting
* Revise prepositional phrases

In **Maths,** the children have started to revise their knowledge of Roman Numerals and place value.

Next week they will:

* Recognise 1000s, 100s 10s and 1s
* Partition accurately
* Interpret a number line to 10000
* Find 1000 more or less

In **Science** this term, the children will be learning about, **Teeth and the Digestive System**.

* **This week** they have begun to identify and name the different parts of our digestive system.
* **Next week** they will be having fun using junk from around the school to build a digestive system.

**Homework**

The children now have new reading books. When you listen to your child read, please fill in the comment box even if it’s just a smiley face. The children are expected to read at home every day.

We will be sending home spellings and timetables to practise every Monday. Spellings will be tested the following Monday and timetables on the Friday.

If visiting the supermarket this weekend, try and draw your child’s attention to the **fair trade** chocolate and see what they can tell you about it.

We hope to see you at the Meet the Teacher session on Tuesday 12th September, where you can find out about the expectations and routines of your child’s new class and have the opportunity to ask any questions you may have.

**Fun fact:** Roald Dahl co-wrote the script for classic children's film Chitty Chitty Bang Ban... and it was he who came up with one of the scariest characters in children's literature, The Child Catcher.

Have a great weekend

The Year 4 Team