ST LUKE'S *CofE* PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had a busy and enjoyable first half-term in Year 4, and it has been lovely to see how well the children have settled into their new routines and grown in confidence and independence. We have enjoyed lots of interesting learning across the curriculum, including our visit to Bradgate Park. The children have also enjoyed learning about the Tudors, investigating states of matter in Science and developing their writing skills in English.

As we move into Autumn 2, we have lots more exciting learning ahead of us. We will continue to build on the progress made so far, encouraging the children to challenge themselves, develop their skills and enjoy new learning experiences.

Thank you for your continued support. It has been a pleasure getting to know the children over the first half-term, and I look forward to another enjoyable term together.

Here is an overview of our planned curriculum for the second Autumn term.

English- Shared text: The Girl who saved Christmas- Matt Haig Persuasive Letter	**Maths** Multiplication and division
History Ancient Egyptians	**Science** Teeth & Eating, Food chains
Geography -	**Computing** Creating Media – Audio Production
RE Kingdom of God. When Jesus left, what next?	**DT** Sewing
French J'apprends le français	**PE** Netball Gymnastics
Music Glockenspiel stage 2 Playing an instrument	**PHSE** Valuing Differences

Reading books and diaries

Reading is an important part of our learning at St Luke's, and we encourage all children to read regularly at home. Please continue to support your child by listening to them read and discussing the books they are enjoying. Reading a variety of texts helps to develop fluency, vocabulary and comprehension skills, which are valuable across all areas of the curriculum. Thank you for your continued support in helping to develop positive reading habits.

PE – Thursday and Friday

Children should come to school in their PE uniform (tracksuit with trainers; no football kits or clothes with logos, please). Clothing should be suitable for the weather, as some sessions will be outside. Earrings must be removed for health and safety reasons.

Homework

Homework will continue to be set every Friday on **Atom Learning** and should be completed by the following Friday. Tasks will include Maths, English and occasionally Science. Please encourage your child to complete their homework each week and submit it before the deadline, as missed deadlines mean that tasks will no longer be available. Thank you for your continued support in encouraging children to complete their homework regularly.

Spellings

Spelling tests will continue to take place every Tuesday. New spellings will be shared online each week for children to practise at home. Please encourage your child to spend some time practising their spellings throughout the week and ensure they bring their spelling book to school each day. Children can also practise online at www.edshed.com using their login details.

Mental Arithmetic Tests

To support fluency in Maths, children will continue to complete weekly arithmetic tests every Monday morning. These help to develop confidence and accuracy when answering a range of arithmetic questions. Regular practice on **Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS)** is particularly important in helping children to improve their times tables recall and overall mathematical fluency. Please encourage your child to access TTRS regularly at home, as little and often practice can make a real difference to their progress.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me through the school office or catch me at the end of the school day. Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Brier

Class Teacher