Dear parents and carers,

Term 4 is just a five week term. We will have to work quickly!

Our new topic for this term is Our Local Environment. We will be learning how to use OS maps, using keys, symbols, and calculating distances. We will also be identifying a local site where children can design and create a sculpture to enhance their chosen area.

In Science this term, we will be studying 'Living things and their habitats'. We will explore what it means to be scientifically alive, learn how we group living things and explore local habitats.

In PE, we will be completing the second, and final part of the 'Red Award' Street Dance program. These lessons will run on a Friday morning. During this unit, each child has the opportunity to earn the 'Red Award', which is a recognised standard for Street Dance. We will have an additional PE lesson on Thursday mornings this term. This will be taught by Specialist PE teachers who will focus upon team and individual skills. This means that everyone will need their PE kit every Thursday and Friday.

Our RE lessons this term will focus upon Salvation. Our children will study why Christians name the day that Jesus died as 'Good Friday'. We will dig deeper into forgiveness and the benefits it can bring to everyone.

In Maths, we are developing our understanding of fractions to include decimals. Children will learn to position tenths and hundredths onto a number line and convert tenths and hundredths into decimals. We will also use place value knowledge to multiply and divide one and two digit numbers by 10 and 100.

In English, we will be focusing upon persuasive letter writing. Our topic unit, local environment, will allow us to explore the current political issue of building a solar power station on the Graveney Marshes. We will learn how to structure and write a persuasive letter to argue our point of view.

I wish people luck if they are taking part in Lent!

Mr Bainborough.