



# Swallows and Swifts

## Autumn 1 Newsletter

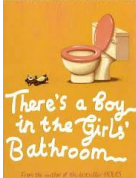


### What's On

**Date tbc:** Trip to Seaham beach (dates to be confirmed)

**Tuesdays and Thursdays :** Bring PE kit into school.

**LOUIS SACHAR**



### English

Our class novel is called 'There's a boy in the girl's bathroom'. We will be writing for various purposes based on this.

We will do daily spelling/grammar lessons and whole-class reading each day too.

Children will receive a Star Book this week, which they can read at home and at school.

### Maths



We base our lessons on the White Rose Maths scheme of learning. This half term, this includes:

- Number and place value (numbers up to 10 thousand).
- Addition and subtraction with 4-digit numbers (written column method addition and subtraction).
- Multiplication and division and times table facts



### Science

Our topic is States Of Matter, including:

- Solids, liquids and gases
- Heating and cooling
- Evaporation investigation

### PSHE/RSE

Healthy lifestyles

- Balanced lifestyle/ healthy choices
- Physical activity and food choices
- Maintaining good hygiene
- Emotional health/ mental health



### Geography

Our topic is 'When Land Meets Sea', with objectives including:

- Settlements, landforms and habitats
- River knowledge and development of maths skill
- What processes shape are UK coastline?
  - Should coasts be protected?
  - Investigating Seaham

### Computing

Our topic is: Computing systems and networks

This includes understanding the need to be thoughtful when working on a collaborative document, using comments to suggest changes to a document and understanding how to resolve comments.



### Music



Our topic is 'Ancient China'.

Listening: identify instruments, identify features, appraise performances, Composing: using pentatonic scale, add accompaniment, improvise, tell a story. Performing: to the pulse, rhythm and pitch notation, harmonious notes, singing



### Art

Our topic is 'Power Prints'.

The children will be using mechanical engravings as a starting point, pupils develop an awareness of proportion, composition and pattern in drawing and combine media for effect

### Class Assembly

Parents and carers are welcome to join us at **2:30pm on Tuesday 10th October** for our year 4 assembly (both classes together)



### Reminder...

- Spellings will be sent home each Thursday. Please practice these at home ready to be tested the following Thursday.
- Homework is set on Atom Prime each Thursday and due in the following **Wednesday**. Any technical problems, please let us know in advance!