**St Anne’s RC Primary School**

**Carruthers Street, Ancoats,**

**Manchester, M4 7EQ**

**Headteacher: Mrs A Shore**

**Deputy Head: Mrs J Greene**

Dear parents and carers,

We would like to welcome you all back. We are looking forward to the first half term in Year 4.

**Our topics this half term**

**Maths**

In maths we will be working on number and place value. We will also look at addition and subtraction. Alongside these topics we will begin our weekly mental maths tests and daily Fluent in Five and Times table work. The children can also use ‘Hit the button.’ (<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>) and have their own individual login for ‘Ten Ticks’, a website where children can use their times table skills to complete online multiplication tests and mathematical games.

**Literacy**

We will begin with writing ‘Fact files’ and create a Biography about Emmeline Pankhurst who we will be researching as part of our History topic.

**Religious Education**

Our first theme for RE will be ‘The Domestic Church’ and families.

**Science**

Our topic in science is States of Matter where we will investigate gases, solids and liquids. We will also look at the water cycle.

**Music**

We will be composing our own pieces of music about the environment.

**Computing**
During this half term the children will focus on ‘Word processing’.

**History**

In our History lessons we will be learning about the Industrial Revolution in Manchester and finding out about Emmeline Pankhurst.

**PSHE**

Our topics will be ‘The Earth in Our Hands’. We will look at our world and how we shoud care for it.

Children will continue to be given weekly homework, consisting of a reading comprehension or grammar exercise, spellings and maths. Homework is given out on Thursdays, to be handed in the following Monday. Weekly spelling tests are on a Thursday. Please can I also remind you that reading diaries and reading books must be in school every day. Your child’s reading diary should be signed as part of their homework each week. Topic homework for this half term will also been given out and explained to children. If you have any questions about this, please do not hesitate to ask.

Children have PE every Monday and Wednesday. Children will need a PE kit consisting of black or navy blue shorts or tracksuit bottoms, a plain white T-shirt and black pumps or trainers. For this half term both PE sessions will be outdoors. We will also have swimming lessons on Tuesday afternoons, please see separate letter for information about these lessons.

Thank you for your continued support and for your child’s continued hard work.

Mrs Corcoran and Mrs DiRosa.