



# Class 4 Newsletter

## Autumn Term - 17/11/2017



### This Week

We have been carrying out assessments this week in Maths, Reading and Grammar.

In **English**, we continued in our genre of newspaper recounts. We have explored writing headlines for significant events over the past year as well as converting texts into the past tense. We are becoming more confident with this genre day on day. In **Maths**, we shifted our focus from mental multiplication and division to written methods for multiplication. This is enabling us to multiply large numbers together. In **Science**, we continued exploring the materials that items are made from. We planned an investigation exploring the stretchiness of materials as well as the friction of others. In **RE**, we discovered that many Christmas traditions relating to the nativity story of Christmas are not biblical. We looked at Matthew and Luke's account of the nativity and compared how they were similar and different. In **Topic (a combination of History and Geography)**, we explored the Monument in London and investigated how we can learn from historical artefacts too. We also wrote some fantastic poems about the Great Fire of London too. In **PE**, we developed our balancing skills, learning how to transition from one balance to another. The Year 5 children also went swimming. We also had a visit from the **Sing Together** team, learning some new songs for our concert in March.

### Next Week...

**English:** Beginning to write our own newspaper articles

**Maths:** Written Multiplication and Division

**Y4 Science:** Exploring the properties of different materials

**RE:** The Christmas story from the Bible

**History:** What happened to London after the Fire?

### Homework

The written homework is a **Maths activity on multiplication**. The children need to complete this in their books.

Ongoing practise of the statutory word lists will always be beneficial.

If your family experiences a different culture (whether through holiday, friends from another culture etc.) please could you take a photograph of your child and send it into school. We want to celebrate different cultures!

### Important Dates

**Mon 20<sup>th</sup> Nov:** Maths homework due in

**Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov:** OPEN DOOR

**Fri 24<sup>h</sup> Nov:** Swimming for Y5 children

Fri 8<sup>th</sup> Dec: Pantomime visit to Aladdin

Tue 12<sup>th</sup> Dec: Christmas Fayre from 3:30 - 5:00pm

Thur 14<sup>th</sup> Dec: KS2 Christmas Production at 6pm

Mon 18<sup>th</sup> Dec: KS2 Christmas party and Christmas dinner

Tues 19<sup>th</sup> Dec: KS1 Christmas Production at 2pm and 6pm

Thur 8<sup>th</sup> Mar 2018: Sing Together Concert at King George's Hall, Blackburn

### Stars of the Week

The **Christian Value** certificate for the value of **JUSTICE** is **Shane Staker**, for having a very strong understanding of what is fair.

The **Curriculum** certificate goes to **Keinan Markar** for a super historical nursery rhyme about the Great Fire of London.

Star Writer: **Keinan Markar**

### Outstanding Behaviour

We have had continued our positive start to the new school year. The children this week that have modelled outstanding behaviour 3 or more times are:

Dylan, Cayden, Keinan, Logan, Libby P, Natasha, Daniel, Connor, Jaidon

Emilee, Theo, Rubie, Owen, Freya, Oliver, Emily H, Russell, Emily K, Alex, Kaitlyn, Max, Harrison, Alfie, Shane, Jorja, Jasmine, Lilly-Mae

**Please note, if you were unable to arrange an appointment to meet with me at Parents' Evening, please contact school to arrange an alternative appointment. Thank you**

**As always, you can come and talk to me about your child's progress either at the end of school, or you can arrange an appointment.**

**My Open Door is on Wednesday from 3:15-4:00pm.**

*Mr Bateman*