



Class 4 Newsletter

Autumn Term - 13/10/2016



This Week

This week in **English**, we started by writing our own versions of a chapter from the Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe and consequently improved it using similes. The results have been superb. In **Maths**, we moved on from addition and subtraction to shape, space and measure. We have identified all types of angles, measured them using protractors, and investigated the locations of perpendicular and parallel lines around school. In **PE**, we improved our dribbling, passing and other elements of ball control in hockey. In **Science**, we researched the history of electricity and how it is developed over time. In **RE**, we continued our discussion on the persecuted church and how Christians worship God in difficult circumstances. In **Computing**, due to changes in timetable last week, we actually finished our **e-safety** PowerPoints. We also investigated the security of our passwords. We continued with regular practise for Sing Together.

Next Week...

English: Fantasy genre writing using 'The Lion, the Witch & the Wardrobe' as inspiration. Independent application and additional use of similes.

Maths: Shape and angles

Science: The history of electricity

RE: The church around the world

Homework

The children have some **spellings** that they need to practise. The **Year 4** focus is the **suffix -ious**. The **Year 5** focus is the **suffix -tious**. Their spelling sheet needs to be returned by Monday.

Regular **times tables** practise is always beneficial as this helps them in all areas of their Maths.

The written homework is **creating their own character description for Aslan**.

Important Dates

Mon 17th Oct: Aslan character description English homework and spellings due in

Fri 14th Oct: Swimming for Y5 children

Thurs 20th Oct: Open Evening for prospective parents

Fri 28th Oct: Close for half term @ 3:15pm

Stars of the Week

The **Christian Value** certificate for the value of **Peace** is **Emilee Brooke**, for being at peace in class and being ready to learn.

The **Curriculum** certificate and **Star Writer** goes to **Lewis Peet** for writing a phenomenal piece of independent writing, experimenting with sentence structures we haven't covered and truly going the Extra Mile in his writing this week.

Outstanding Behaviour

We have continued to have a brilliant start to the academic year in Class 4. The children this week that have modelled outstanding behaviour 3 or more times are:

Emilee, Freya, Oliver, Russell, Alfie, Jessica, Jasmine, Millie, Callum, Brenda, Hollie, Euan, Keira, Alyssa, Aimee, Nicola, Tyler T, Isaac

Times Tables Awards

We are encouraging Class 4 to master their times tables. They can earn different certificates each time they complete a different times table activity. If they can say the times tables in order they receive a Bronze award; answer random multiplication questions earns them Silver; and answering random division questions earns them Gold.

The children that have earned their certificates this week are:

Bronze: Owen (2, 4)

Silver: Owen (5, 10), Callum (5), Tyler V (11)

Gold: Emilee (10), Owen (5, 10)

The spellings that are being sent home are appearing in a new format. This is to help your child practise their spellings at least 3 times each. Their practise sheet needs to be returned on Monday mornings along with their homework.

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

Mr Bateman