



Class 4 Newsletter

Autumn Term - 08/12/2017



This Week

In **English**, we have moved on from newspaper writing and have started a new genre based around Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. We have read the first third of the book and watched the beginning of the film to try and get into the mindset of Charlie and how he would be feeling upon receiving the golden ticket. We also have written a character description for a sixth horrible child. In **Maths**, our focus has been fractions. We have understood what fractions are, and have begun to identify equivalent fractions, compare fractions of different sizes and order fractions. This understanding will hopefully set us up well for our work next week. In **Science**, we investigated the bounciness of balls. We tested a variety of balls; all dropped from the same height and will measure the height of their bounce next week. In **RE**, we continued to create an interactive retelling of the nativity using computers. In **DT**, the Year 4s created their own nets for their model of St Paul's Cathedral and the Year 5s designed the 'packaging' for the products we are selling at the Christmas Fayre. In **Music**, we began to dissect a song, understanding how the different parts of the song fit together. We also went to the Pantomime today and had a wonderful time.

Next Week...

English: A continuation of Charlie and the Chocolate factory

Maths: Fractions (of amounts, adding and subtracting)

Science: Exploring the bounciness of various balls & why their material matters

RE: Celebrating Christmas around the World

DT: Creating our own nets for our St Paul's models

Homework

The written homework is a **reading comprehension about Charlie and the Chocolate Factory**. These are from the book not the film! The children may answer on the lined paper provided. If that is insufficient, the children may answer on the back. Please stick this answer sheet in.

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

Important Dates

Wed 13th Dec: OPEN DOOR

Tue 12th Dec: Christmas Fayre from 3:30 - 5:00pm

Thur 14th Dec: KS2 Christmas Production at 6pm

Fri 15th Dec: English Reading homework due in

Fri 15th Dec: Swimming for Year 5 children

Mon 18th Dec: KS2 Christmas party and Christmas dinner

Tues 19th Dec: KS1 Christmas Production at 2pm and 6pm

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

Stars of the Week

The **Christian Value** certificate for the value of **COMPASSION** is **Emily Hoyle** for being a compassionate friend and putting them before her.

The **Curriculum** certificate goes to **Dylan Curwen** for working hard when creating his own 3D nets in DT.

Star Writer:

Outstanding Behaviour

Some individuals have needed to be reminded of the high expectations we have for behaviour. On the whole, the class is showing brilliant attitude and behaviour. The children this week that have modelled outstanding behaviour 3 or more times are:

Libby B, Dylan, Keinan, Libby P, Natasha, Daniel, Connor

Emilee, Rubie, Owen, Freya, Oliver, Natalia, Emily H, Emily K, Alex, Kaitlyn, Max, Jessica, Shane, Jorja, Jasmine, Lilly-Mae

Experiences of other cultures

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.

It could be as obvious as visiting a German Christmas market.

Christmas Fayre

For our **Christmas Fayre** on the **12th December** we are looking for **donations** for various different stalls. We are looking for prizes for tombola (bottles of wine or chocolates); we would appreciate donations of good condition books; and any cake donations will be very welcome. Thank you for your continued support.

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