

Class 4 Newsletter

Spring Term - 26/01/2018



This Week

Our Theme for this half term is the 'Amazing Amazon Adventure'. In English, we started to explore the genre of adventure writing. We have used the Bear Grylls novel 'The Gold of the Gods', We are applying our learning in Geography to help us understand how we can create vivid description of our setting. In Maths, we have spent the week refreshing ourselves then really challenging ourselves using the four operations. We have been seeking not just to complete calculations but solve problems applying what we know in lots of different contexts. In Science, we completed a practical task that will take a long time to see anything grow... To explore how plants reproduce, we planted some rose cuttings, each using different conditions. We shall see how they grow and which conditions were the best. In RE, we continued in our discovery about Jesus being the Son of God. We looked specifically at the healing of the 10 lepers. We wrote letters to Jesus as the one leper who returned. In Geography, we explored the Amazon rainforest and the Basin in which the excess water from the Amazon river drains. In Art, we began to create a printing of the Rousseau painting 'Tiger in a Tropical Storm'. In PE, we continued to apply our balance skills with handstands and cartwheels. Year 5 children also went swimming.

Next Week...

English: Beginning to plan and innovate our own stories inspired by Bear Grylls

Maths: The four operations (applying it within statistics)

Science: The life cycles of plants

RE: Looking at the Sabbath

Geography: The Amazon Rainforest

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.

Important Dates

Mon 29th Jan: 3rd Homework due in (please see overleaf for details) Mon 29th Jan: Gymnastics club 3:30-4:30 **Wed 31st Jan: OPEN DOOR from 3:15-4:00** Wed 31st Jan: Dance Club for Y3-6 3:30-4:30 **Fri 2nd Feb: Swimming for Year 5 children Fri 2nd Feb: Deadline for Form 3B** Wed 7th - Fri 9th Feb: Year 5/6 Residential Visit to Borwick Hall Fri 9th Feb: Half term holiday begins

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

Stars of the Week

The **Christian Value** certificate for the value of **PEACE** goes to **Freya Emptage** for going about her work in a peaceful manner.

The **Curriculum** certificate goes to **Alfie Richards** for consistently going the Extra Mile in many subjects.

Star Writer: Jaidon Vickers

Outstanding Behaviour

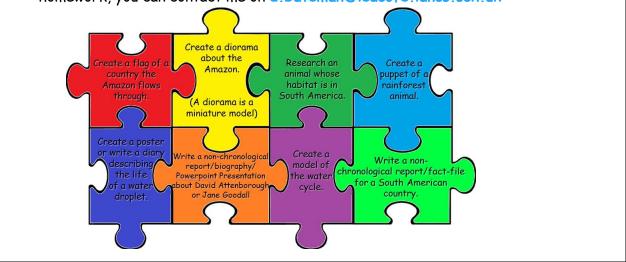
We have had a good start to the new year. We all settled down quickly to the school routine and I hope this will continue. The children this week that have modelled outstanding behaviour 3 or more times are:

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

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

Homework

Each week, choose one of these activities to complete as your homework. You can choose which activity to complete. Unfortunately, you can't complete the same activity twice. Any questions about homework, you can contact me on d.bateman@leacofe.lancs.sch.uk



As always, you can talk to me about your child's progress. My Open Door is on Wednesday from 3:15-4:00pm.

Mr Bateman