

# Class 4 Newsletter Autumn Term - 16/12/2016



#### This Term

In English, we have used the novel 'The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe' as inspiration to write our own fantasy novels. This has stretched our sentence structure abilities as well as expanding our vocabularies - something that will be on display next term. We have also investigated how to correctly set out instructions and explanations. We have learned to use new pieces of punctuation accurately; the children have been seeking to use these in other pieces of writing too. We finished the term looking at play scripts, writing our own using the correct features. In Maths, we have covered place value, addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, statistics, shape and geometry. In Science, our electricity has covered things such as safety, the historical influence of significant individuals, building circuits and an educational visit from Professor Friedrich von Schnooglehiemarr 3<sup>rd</sup> and Mrs Bob. The children thoroughly enjoyed getting to grips with creating circuits for different purposes. In RE, we have written our own class end of day prayer; looked at Peter as "The Rock" of the church; the persecuted church in North Korea; and Hanukah (which also linked into our English writing too). In PE, we have focused on striking skills through hockey, and imitating a dance to create music using BBC 10 Pieces. In French, we have learned some simple greetings, numbers to 20 as well as certain Christmas vocabulary. We started practising for Sing Together, and each time we have had a visit from the Diocesan team they have commented on our enthusiasm and eagerness to improve. Elsewhere, children from Class 4 have represented our school in football tournaments and in the choir at Bay Tree Farm

#### Next Term...

Our Theme is going to be the Art of Food.

This will have a Science, Art & Design and Music focus. We will also be continuing with Maths, English & RE.

Our school's **Open Door Policy** is re-starting in the New Year. I will be available to chat and go through your child's work on **Wednesday afternoons from 3:15 to 4:00** 

This will start on Wednesday 11th January 2017.

### Important Dates

Tue  $20^{th}$  Dec: KS2 Christmas party and Christmas dinner (Children can wear appropriate party clothes)

Wed 21st Dec: School close at 2pm

Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> Jan 17: School re-opens at 8:55am

## Mrs Seagrave's Good Manners

Congratulations to Millie Broderick, Freya Dootson and Jake Kellett for rightly earning Mrs Seagrave's Good Manners Award. Their photo is proudly on our Hall of Fame.

How many more children can make it throughout the year? If you consistently show good manners and respect to each other and to all members of staff you will definitely be in the running.

## Outstanding Behaviour

So many children are consistently showing Outstanding behaviour. I hope that next term the whole class can consistently have their name on our newsletter.

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.

This has been an extremely long and busy term; I hope the children all have a well-deserved rest over the holidays and come back refreshed. I wish you all a Happy Christmas and a peaceful 2017.

Mr Bateman