



Class 4 Newsletter

Autumn Term - 29/09/2017



This Week

Our Theme for this term is 'The Great Plague'.

In **English**, our fairy tale genre work has culminated in us writing our own versions of a fairy tale (based loosely on the novel of Puss in Boots). We have put into practise all the grammatical features we have been practising over the past weeks. In **Maths**, we have developed our addition and subtraction knowledge through various different challenges and problems. The maths was less difficult (with regards to the numbers we were using) however it tested our knowledge of how to use addition and subtraction. In **Science**, the Year 4's continued to extend their knowledge of temperature of drinks and planned an investigation on how to keep drinks warm using disposable receptacles. The Year 5's (at ACSC) explored the concepts of reversible and irreversible changes (of course, for some of the experiments we used Bunsen burners). We were able to explain scientifically the experiments we conducted and rather impressed Mrs Ethell. In **RE**, we continued to explore the teachings of Jesus. The parable we explored was the Parable of the Sower. We explained what we thought the meaning of the parable was, then created a pencil sketch of the parable. In **History**, we retold 14,000 years of British history in about 4 minutes using simple phrases and actions. In **PE**, we applied our passing skills in a game situation involving unbalanced teams so we could improve. In **Art**, we explored Escher's tessellation and recreated our own versions of that, tessellating objects together creating vibrant pieces of Art.

Next Week...

English: An independent write of a fairy tale.
Investigation into narrative poetry.

Maths: Time

Y4 Science: The practical investigation for the plan they developed this week.

Y5 Science: Forces

RE: Artwork (adding watercolour) to our artwork about the Parable of the Sower

History: Recreating our timeline of the 14,000 years of History

Homework

The written homework is an **addition and subtraction** activity. This consolidates the work we've done this week. It seeks to stretch their understanding of these operations by applying simple skills in different contexts. This work needs to be completed in their Homework books.

Please ensure the children are familiarising themselves with **statutory word lists** (these are words that the government expect children to spell at the end of their year group).

Important Dates

Mon 2nd Oct: Maths homework due in

Wed 4th Oct: OPEN DOOR

Wed 4th Oct: Y5 at ACSC for Science and DT

Fri 6th Oct: Swimming for Y5 children

Sun 8th Oct: Harvest Service at St Christopher's Church @ 9:30am

Tues 10th Oct: My Birthday! Wahoo!!

Fri 28th Oct: Break up at 3:15pm for Half-Term

Thur 16th Nov: Parents' Evening

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 **FRIENDSHIP** is **Libby Bennett** for being a wonderful friend, encouraging them in good times and supporting them in bad times.

The **Curriculum** certificate goes to **Theo Collinson** for brilliant application of his passing skills in a game situation, as well as receiving a bullet of a pass from me!

Star Writer: Emilee Brooke

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:

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, Alfie, Shane, Jorja, Jasmine, Lilly-Mae

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 Wednesdays from 3:15-4:00pm

Mr Bateman