



Class 4 Newsletter

Autumn Term - 23/09/2016



This Week

In **Maths**, we extended our knowledge of place value through rounding decimals and multiplying and dividing by powers of 10. This helps in future weeks with units of measure. In **English**, we have written and edited work on character descriptions and characters' emotions. We are also expanding our bank of super sentences. In **Science**, in **Electricity**, we completed a flow diagram showing how electricity moves from its source to our houses. We also started to investigate significant individuals with regards to electricity. In **RE**, we discussed how the church is different throughout the world as well as the role of the church. In **Computing**, we carried on with the very important topic of **e-Safety**, continuing with our PowerPoints - making them exciting and eye-catching using animations. In **PE**, we continued with improving our **hockey** skills through dribbling and controlling the ball using only the flat side of the stick. We also started the **French** language this week. We have changed the language focus from Spanish to French and we learned key and basic greetings that mean we can use our manners in French too!

Next Week...

English: Fantasy genre writing using 'The Lion, The Witch & The Wardrobe' as inspiration. Developing the use of fronted adverbials.

Maths: Addition and Subtraction

Science: Significant people and electricity

RE: Are all churches the same?

Homework

The children have some **spellings** that they need to practise. We are now starting to work through curriculum lists. This week is List 1.

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

The written homework is an **English Comprehension** on the topic of **Thomas Edison**. This will help us with our Science next week.

Important Dates

Mon 26th Sept: English Comprehension homework due in

Fri 30th Sept: Swimming for Y5 children

Wed 28th Sept: Writing and Reading session for parents @ 6pm

Sun 9th Oct: Harvest Service @ St Christopher's Church at 10am

Thurs 20th Oct: Open Evening for prospective parents 3:30-6pm

Stars of the Week

The **Christian Value** certificate for the value of **Forgiveness** is **Jake Kellett**, for having a forgiving character and being willing to give people a fresh start.

The **Curriculum** certificate goes to **Aimee Millar** for superb technique and control when using a hockey stick in PE.

Star Writer: **Ruby Mullarkey**

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:

Freya, Oliver, Euan, Alyssa, Annie, Finnlay, Tyler T, Tyler V

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; answering 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: Oliver (12), Lewis (5)

Silver: Tyler V (9)

Gold: Freya (10), Tyler V (9)

For those that weren't able to attend the Welcome Meeting on Wednesday, I have attached the notes I used.

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.

Mr Bateman