



Class 4 Newsletter

Autumn Term - 13/10/2017



This Week

In **English**, we have continued with our genre of narrative poetry, focussing on the TS Elliot poem 'Macavity'. We have mapped out the poem using images then have recited the whole poem from memory. We are beginning to adapt the poem using the same structure but describing another feisty feline - Puss in Boots. In **Maths**, our focus has remained on time. We have continued converting analogue and digital times, converted between different units of time (minutes into hours etc.), and reading timetables. In **Science**, the Year 4s planned an investigation on how to insulate cold items so they don't warm up. The Year 5s (at ACSC) began the first of a two week investigation exploring microbes. We took samples to see how much bacteria formed in certain places. We will see the results next week once the samples have incubated. In **RE**, we learned about God's Kingdom through three different parables that Jesus told. We then wrote our own poems about God's Kingdom using similes to compare them. In **Topic (a combination of History and Geography)**, we began to look into the Stewart era of History and compared how London was different 400 years ago; we then started to explore the impact the Great Fire of London had on the city and how it might have felt for Londoners. In **PE**, we applied the passing skills we have acquired in a 'competitive' game focussing on our movement without the ball. The Year 5's also went swimming.

Next Week...

English: Continuation of narrative poetry. We are changing the content of the poem to describe Puss in Boots.

Maths: Shape & Measure (angles)

Y4 Science: Implementation of the plan for insulating cold items.

Y5 Science: Microbes (part 2)

RE: How does Jesus' teaching impact others?

History: Understanding how London adapted following the Great Fire of London

Homework

The written homework is a **Maths activity**, focussing on time passing (using timetables). The children need to complete this in their books.

They still have the extended Harvest project.

They need to **create a digital poster about how Harvest is celebrated** in different countries in the world. This can either be printed and brought in or emailed to :

d.bateman@leacofe.lancs.sch.uk

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 16th Oct: Maths time homework due in

Mon 16th Oct: Harvest project homework due in

Wed 18th Oct: Y5 at ACSC for Science and DT

Wed 18th Oct: OPEN DOOR

Fri 20th Oct: Swimming for Y5 children

Fri 27th 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 **COURAGE** is **Harrison Price** for helping someone who had wronged him earlier in the week.

The **Curriculum** certificate goes to **Emilee Brooke** for excelling in many aspects of the curriculum this week.

Star Writer: **Russell Kashiri**

Outstanding Behaviour

We have 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, Logan, Libby P, Natasha, Daniel, Connor

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

Christmas Dates

I understand that this is exceedingly early, but here are the significant dates for some Christmas events, so they can be in your diary, and so that the children won't miss them.

Fri 8th Dec: Pantomime visit to Aladdin.

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

Tue 14th Dec: KS2 Christmas Celebration at 6pm

Mon 18th Dec: KS2 Christmas party and Christmas dinner

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

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