



Class 4 Newsletter

Autumn Term - 10/11/2017



This Week

In **English**, we started a new genre of writing - newspaper recounts. We explored the different features that makes it unique. We are applying our historical knowledge of the Great Fire of London to this genre, which immediately gives us more of an advantage. In **Maths**, we are focusing on multiplication and division over this week and next. Our focus this week was lots of mental work; we focused on multiples, factors and prime numbers. In **Science**; we enjoyed being together for a science lesson. We started to explore the materials that objects were made from. We are going to investigate the properties of different materials in coming investigations. In **RE**, we discussed what makes our Christmas celebrations unique for us, and then prepared some questions for investigating how it is celebrated around the world. In **Topic (a combination of History and Geography)**, we explored many different maps of London and through reading these maps, we got a better handle on the Geography of the Great Fire of London. In **PE**, we began a unit on gymnastics and focused on balancing. The Year 5 children also went swimming.

Next Week...

English: Further immersion in newspaper writing

Maths: Multiplication and Division

Y4 Science: Exploring the properties of different materials

RE: The Christmas story from the Bible

History: Poetry writing about the Great Fire of London.

Homework

The written homework is a **grammar activity on verb tenses**. The children need to complete this in their books.

Ongoing practise of the statutory word lists will always be beneficial.

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. We want to celebrate different cultures!

Important Dates

Mon 13rd Nov: English grammar homework due in

Thur 16th Nov: Parents' Evening (sign-up sheets available from today)

Fri 17th Nov: Swimming for Y5 children

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 **COMPASSION** is **Daniel Reddy**, someone who is very compassionate of others.

The **Curriculum** certificate goes to **Oliver Emptage** for blowing me away with his maths.

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

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

Christmas Dates

A reminder of some of the 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

Thur 14th Dec: KS2 Christmas Production at 6pm

Mon 18th Dec: KS2 Christmas party and Christmas dinner

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

Class Rewards

The class's behaviour at break-times and lunchtimes is commendable and we have earned several rewards due to our behaviour.

Unfortunately, we still haven't earned the weekly reward for attendance. The class with the best attendance for the half term receives the reward of a non-uniform day.

PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT YOUR CHILDREN ARE IN SCHOOL WHENEVER POSSIBLE.

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 not on next week due to PARENTS' EVENING.

Mr Bateman