



Class 4 Newsletter

Spring Term - 11/01/2019



This Week

We have had a good start back this term. I hope you all have enjoyed the Christmas break. This term we have knuckled down straight away and in **Maths** we have been focussing on the place value of decimals. In **English**, we are studying another newspaper unit but our focus is on earthquakes and volcanoes. This is also our **Geography** unit; this week we located the country of Japan (a hotbed for such activity). In **RE**, we explored how people teach us and why certain teaching lasts a lifetime. In **DT**, we planned our designs to create our model volcanoes. In **Science**, we explored the human digestive system. This has set up our unit looking at Animals and Humans. In **PE**, we focussed on accurate throwing into a target, varying our methods for throwing to be as successful as possible. In **Computing**, we began our unit looking at spreadsheets.

Next Week...

English: Newspaper recount writing

Maths: Place Value (negative numbers and Roman numerals)

Science: Teeth

RE: Parables Jesus taught

Geography: Earthquakes and volcanoes

Housekeeping

At the start of this new term, please make sure:

- your child/children's clothing is labelled;
 - they have a full PE kit in school;
- they have a named water bottle in school;
- Toast money should now be paid half termly via Parent Pay please. The cost of toast is 10p per slice so, if parents wish to pay for the remaining half term, the cost will be £2.50

Important Dates

Tues 15th Jan: Mad Science 1

Wed 16th Jan: Open Door from 3:15 - 4:00pm

Fri 18th Jan: Swimming for Y5 children (full swimming kit AND t-shirt and shorts needed)

Mon 11th Feb: PowerPoint homework due in

Wed 13th - Fri 15th Feb: Borwick Hall residential

Thur 7th Mar: Parents' Evening from 3:30-5pm and 6-7pm

Thur 14th Mar 2019: Sing Together Concert

Stars of the Week

The **CHRISTIAN VALUE** award for **FORGIVENESS** goes to **Millie** who is always willing to forgive, even when it is hard to do so.

The **CURRICULUM** award goes to **Lily** for her excellent start to the term. Keep it up!

The **STAR WRITER** is **Harley** for super explanations in Maths

Behaviour

Those children who have modelled Outstanding behaviour at least 3 times are:

Ethan, George G, Jensen, Lewis, Lottie, Ollie, Libby, Emma, Dylan, Cayden, Millie, Keinan, Lily, Logan, Daniel, Connor, Noemi, Jake, Jaidon

Planet Earth Homework Project for Spring 1

In Class 4 our theme is 'Planet Earth' and in Geography we are studying earthquakes and volcanoes. **Your homework project is to create a PowerPoint Presentation, exploring one natural phenomenon in depth.** You can use websites, library books and other sources to help you! It should **ALL** be your own work! (Do not copy and paste!) Each week there is a new task for you to complete to help manage your workload.

The project should be handed in on **Monday 11th February**.

We will then watch the presentations throughout the duration of that week.

There will be 1st, 2nd and 3rd place prizes as well as some projects being marked highly commended. Projects will be judged on effort, presentation, content and consistency.

You can choose to research one of the following **earthquakes** or **volcanoes**:

Earthquakes: San Francisco (1906), Turkmenistan (1948), Chile (1960), Japan (1995), Indonesia (2004)

Volcanoes: Mount Vesuvius (^{AD}79), Mount Unzen (^{AD}1792), Krakatoa (^{AD}1883), Mount St. Helens (^{AD}1980), Eyjafjallajökull (^{AD}2010)

Week One (w/b 7th January)

Choose one of the earthquakes and volcanoes from lists above. Create your title slide.

Begin to research the facts around your natural disaster.

where in the world, when did it happen, how many people suffered, what happened as a result etc....

Any questions about homework, you can contact me on

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Have a lovely weekend. See you on Monday.
Mr Bateman