

Class 4 Newsletter Spring 2024

I hope you all had a relaxing and enjoyable holiday. I have enjoyed hearing all about it from the children. I get the impression that they especially enjoyed spending time with family and eating!

General Information

- PE will continue to take place on Wednesdays and Fridays unless we contact you to let you know otherwise.
- Water bottles must only contain water and be brought in each day.
- Please make sure the children are in the correct uniform.

Topics - This term our topics are 'What's So Special About Rivers?' in Geography and World War 2 in History. In Science the children will learn about Living Things and Their Habitats. In Art we will be exploring identity and our Design Technology unit will focus on automata animals: exciting! In RE lessons we will continue our learning about the Hindu faith and then move on to ask the big questions: What does it mean to be Muslim? And why do Christians believe Jesus was the Messiah?

English - We are currently enjoying reading the classic narrative poem, 'The Lady of Shalott'. We will compare this to another classic narrative poem, 'The Highwayman' and then write our own up-to-date version of the story.

Reading - We will continue to read a range of fiction, non-fiction and poetry texts in shared reading lessons to improve our independent reading skills. The children will also be read to on a regular basis. Our class reader this term is 'Impossible Creatures' by Katherine Rundell – winner of the Waterstones Book of the Year prize. Children should also bring home their independent reading book and reading journal daily. Please make sure they read often and listen to them when you can, making a note in their journal. Please refer to the front of your child's journal for some ideas of activities they could do in their books.

Maths - We started off the term learning about the order of operations (BIDMAS/BODMAS) and our focus now is fractions.

Homework - Homework will be sent out on a Friday and should be returned by Thursday the following week. Please refer to the front of your child's homework book for the details.