

YEAR 4 NEWSLETTER - SUMMER 2017

Mrs Tannian (4T/Year 4 Leader) ~Mrs Natha (4W) ~ Mrs Khaled (4P) ~ Mrs Murphy (4P)

Our current topic for this term is 'Adventurers and Explorers'. We will be visiting Fairlop Waters high ropes as part of this. Any helpers would be greatly appreciated. Please speak to your child's teacher.

In the next half term our topic will be 'YOUNG ENTREPRENEURS'.



In **English** we are focusing on writing short stories, letters and newspaper articles. In the first half term, our core text will be **Voices in the Park** by Anthony Browne, and in the next half term our core text will be **Billy Sure– Kid Entrepreneur** by Luke Sharpe.

Reading journals:

For children to make good progress in their reading, they should read for a short period of time everyday. To help the children keep track of what they read and develop their independence, they have a reading journal.

In **Maths**, we are continuing to practise the 4 operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division). Learning their times tables makes mental maths simpler for lots of children—please continue to encourage your child to practise them. We will also be covering time, position and direction, and fractions.

In **Geography** we will be learning about maps and how topographers work. We will also be exploring the different countries that we have visited or would like to explore.



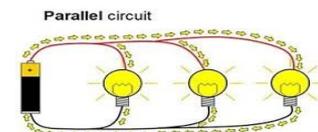
In **Art** we are exploring different botanical artists and creating scenes from famous expeditions.

HOME LEARNING

In Year 4 we continue to set two home learning tasks each Friday, normally due in on the following Wednesday. We know that pupils sometimes have questions or queries about tasks and so we offer them the chance to speak to their teachers about them on Monday. This should allow them the weekend to attempt the activity and several evenings following to act on the teacher's advice. If they are still unable to complete the task, please speak to the class teacher. We also set interactive online maths homework on **MyMaths**, which consolidates learning that has been taught during that week.



In **Science**, we are further exploring states of matter. We will be observing how materials change when they are heated or cooled down, and identify the part played by condensation and evaporation in the water cycle. Later on in the term, we will be focusing on electricity. We will be learning how to make different components work in a circuit and how to draw series and parallel circuits.



In **History and International** we are finding out about different famous explorers and civilisations. We will explore how the early adventurers found their way at sea.



UNIFORM

Please remember that all children should be wearing the correct school uniform as given in our Uniform Policy. All items of school uniform must be labelled with your child's full name.

PE KIT

PE kit should comprise black / navy shorts, white t-shirt / polo shirt, plimsolls (indoor PE), trainers (outdoor PE), navy sweatshirt and jogging bottoms for cold weather. Kit should be kept on a peg in a drawstring bag, not a carrier bag, and taken home at the end of each half-term.



RE

In **RE**, children are making links between the Biblical creation story, describing and showing understanding of sources and teachings of other religions about creation, and reflecting upon their own understanding of ideas and beliefs about creation.

FRENCH

Children are broadening their vocabulary and developing their ability to understand new words. Ask them about what they are learning and encourage them to share it with you at home.



SRE

In **SRE**, children will be learning about assertiveness. In this topic, children will understand and demonstrate assertiveness skills in role play situations.

COMPUTING

In **Computing**, children are learning about computer networks, including the internet and emailing. In this topic, the children will gain a deeper understanding of what the internet can provide, and to be able to send an email independently.



Every Day Counts - Well done to the following children who achieved 100% attendance last term:

4W Trinuha Akilathasan, Abinaath Chandrakumar, Muhammad Khattak, Adeola Ojosipe, Hazel Phipps, Mohammad Shaik,

4T Zainab Akhtar, Kotryna Caplinskaite, Zi Shan Chen, Michael Dyer, Avani Hernandez Ahluwalia, Sara Mannan, Krishen Meisuria, Shaahana Nanthakumar, Mohammed Rahman, Anikzan Ravishankar, Pritha Saha, Faizan Wasim,

4P Aisha Ahmed, Zainab Samira Ali, Balaskantha Arish, Ibraheem Durrani, Marius Feher, Lochan Gomes, Shaan Patra, Ayman Aaqil Patwary, Kaveen Prabakaran, Adib Rayhan, Saindhavi Susitharan, Ritik Thomas



These children were presented with recognition certificates and stickers in assembly.



28 Apr	PTA Sponsored Fundraising Event
1 May	Bank Holiday - school closed
25 May	Parent Coffee Morning - 9.15am Community Room
30 May—3 June	Half Term
5 June	INSET DAY - school closed to all pupils
6 June	Pupils return to school
8 June	School closed to all pupils - General Election Polling Station
15 June	Class Photographs
22 June	AM Sports Day, KS2 & Nursery AM PM Sports Day, KS1, Reception & Nursery PM
10 July	Reports to Parents
12 July	Parents Evening - no appointment necessary
20 July	International Friendship Picnic on school field - after school
21 July	Last day of summer term
4 & 5 Sept	INSET DAYS - school closed to all pupils
6 Sept	Pupils return to school