



Year 4 News!

What's happening in our class this half term:

- This term we will be working very hard in our classroom. Our topics will be fun but challenging. (See below)
- We will be concentrating on all times tables this term so will still need lots of practice at home.
- Our spellings also get harder this term and we will be tested every Friday morning.
- We will be reading and exploring lots of different stories that raise issues and dilemmas in Literacy.
- We will be learning all about Solids liquids and how they can be separated in Science.
- Our whole class targets for this term are: to improve our handwriting, to use better punctuation, to keep learning all our times tables of by heart and to begin long division.
- We will fortunately have Chelsea football coming in to work with us during our P.E lessons this term.

Our classroom housekeeping:

- I take this opportunity to remind all parents about appropriate P.E kits. It is still rather cold so it is recommended that the children bring in appropriate tracksuit bottoms and trainers as all of our P.E this term will be done outside.
- The children will get their homework as usual on a Friday and it will be handed in on a Wednesday.
- They will also get their spellings on a Friday and be tested the following Friday.
- We will also be going swimming every Thursday so the children should bring a towel and the appropriate swimming kit on the day.

What can you do together at home?

- For the children to improve it is essential that they try to read every night. Please keep reading records up to date and make sure the children are reading at least 20 minutes every night.
- Please do your best to test children on their times tables and telling the time whenever possible.
- The children should be able to do their homework on their own so it's important for you all to make sure they are doing it and handing it in on time as it supports past and future work.
- Please feel free to encourage the children to research the topics that we are studying in class as this is also very helpful for them.

Our topics for this half term:

RE Special people and Meals.

Literacy Stories which raise issues and dilemmas. Non-fiction: recounts.

Maths Securing number facts and understanding shape.

Science Solids liquids and how they can be separated.

History The Anglo Saxons

ICT Exploring music and sound using ICT.

PE Outdoor games, Chelsea football and Swimming

ART Our journeys.

Music Linked to topics

Highlights of the Autumn Term:

- Last term we had three new children join our class and we all worked very hard to make them feel welcome.
- We learnt our 2, 3, 4, 5, 10 and 11 times tables well.
- We learnt all about keeping warm and cool in Science.
- We took part in our school play and learned lots of fun Christmas songs.
- We started working on word problems. We worked on our addition, subtraction and multiplication.
- All the children worked very hard and I hope they have come back feeling fresh and ready to give this term 110%.
- We went to Westminster Cathedral Choir Hall and got to sing some Christmas songs with a few other schools. I would like to congratulate the children on their performance and their behaviour, as both were exemplary on the day.
- Here are some pictures of us on the day:



We now have pen pals in España!

We received their letters and this term will be having a go at writing back to them.

Here are some pictures of us reading our letters:

