



Class 4 Newsletter Summer Term 2017

Welcome Back!

Mrs Falshaw and Mrs Jolley

Welcome Back! Here comes the summer and we have lots to work hard and play hard for! The SATs are fast approaching for the Year 6 and we know they will be fantastic and we wish them lots of luck! After the exams we will have lots to look forward to; an Outdoor Activity Trip, Bikeability, the Leavers Party and of course the Summer Show!!

Literacy: As readers we will continue to develop our comprehension skills and also have lots of opportunities to enjoy reading individually, in small groups and as a whole class.

Our focus on improving the children's knowledge and understanding of grammar, and punctuation skills continues to make large steps forward in line with the government's requirements.

As writers we will continue to be developing our fiction /non-fiction writing styles through a variety of genre (including poetry, diary writing, adventure story writing, explanations, news-reports & discussions/arguments). We will read 'This Morning I Met A Whale' by M Morpurgo and immerse ourselves in a variety of Island based and Pirate books/ stories, including the classic tale 'Treasure Island' and the more recent adventure story-'Pirates'!

We also hope to develop the art of debating skills, exploring the latest stories and discussions in the news. Of course, our drama skills will be developed through our School Show!

Maths: The children will access a daily lesson including number work, shape, data handling and measures. Activities will include games, investigations and exercises during Challenge Friday. The children will use the four functions of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division and will learn how to apply them in worded 'everyday life' problems, choosing the appropriate maths in each situation during Challenge Friday. As part of the topic the children will investigate the concept of capacity, depth, width and distance, becoming familiar with units of measurement generally, as well as relating to Island life. Measuring and drawing angles will be practised as well as translation and reflection of shapes.

Science: We will first conclude our unit on 'Changes of Materials'. Then we will move onto a unit on 'Health and circulation', which includes work on the heart and lungs and the effect of things on the body including food, exercise and drugs.

ICT: This term we will concentrate on e-mail, further information on e-safety, and using the control programme "Scratch".

RE: Our Reflection Areas will focus on Faith and Love. We will explore how Christianity differs and has similarities to other Faiths.

Art and design: We will study Landscape art related to water based scenes, alongside Impressionist Artist-Monet. We will be making a Magnetic Fishing Game and Pirate based artwork and crafts, making props for our Show too!

Music: Our attention will be on rehearsing for our Summer Show! Watch this space.

PE: The main PE activities will be Cross-country, Rounders and Gymnastics.

We will take part in numerous outdoor and adventurous activities on our Trip to Outdoor Elements and our annual Sports Day.

Modern foreign languages: Spanish and German. We will spend a week looking at each country and its language.

Creative Curriculum

Topic

A Pirate's Life!

Ship ahoy!

'Arr Me Hearties!'

The children will be immersed in pirate life and sail the seven seas!



Island Life

This will consist of an exploration of the Islands of Australia - Exciting!



Who were the Mayans?

The children will discover all there is to know about this ancient culture



Dates for your diary

Small Schools Cross-Country - 3rd May

SATs Week- 8th - 11th May

Sports Theme Day - 23rd May

Outdoor Elements Trip - 24th May

Half Term - 26th May (please note we return on Tuesday 6th June)

Bikeability - 12th/13th June

Chester Zoo Trip - 30th June

School Show - 11th/13th July

Leavers Service - 20th July

End of Term- 20th July

Thank you to all our parents for your continued support. As always, if you have any questions or concerns do not hesitate to come and see us.

The Class 4 Team!