



Class 4 Newsletter

Term

Be the BEST You Can Be

Whatever you do, do with all your heart. Colossians 3:23

WELCOME!

Happy half term! The children have blown me away with their resilience, positivity and hard work this term. Have a lovely two weeks off! Next term the children are going to have an exciting, fun and exhilarating experience where themes are explored from looking at the Geographical features of India to looking at the cultures of Hinduism and creating Rangoli patterns. We look forward to sharing our persuasive writing with you and trying to persuade you to visit India.

What we are learning

Our topic this term is based around India. Children will explore the different mountain ranges to the physical features of cities in India.

In English, we will be trying to persuade people to visit India through persuasive writing. We will also be building on our grammar and punctuation knowledge.

In Maths, we will continue with our work on Decimals, then we will move on to money and time. We will continue to follow the White Rose as a basis for our math's learning.

In Science our topic is Eating and Digestion. We will be looking closely at how our digestive system works from the organs and its functions.

In RE, we are looking at 'What it means to belong to a religion?' Children will be looking at how Christians celebrate and live out their beliefs in the journey of life.

In Geography, we are looking at the country India. We will become detectives and locate India on a map and also look closely at the differences in human and physical features of India and the United Kingdom.

In PSHE, we will be looking at the topic 'Relationships' and identify emotions linked with different types of relationships.

In Music, we will be looking at musical notes and instruments.

In French, we will be continuing to practise our pronunciation of key words and phrases in French, relating to the unit of 'Where in the world.'

In Art, we are going to focus on Rangoli patterns. We will develop our technique of mixing paints.

In PE, we are learning all about movement and patterns through Dance. We will also be focussing on Athletics developing our skills in running, jumping, throwing and catching.

In ICT, children will find out about 'Logo' to create shapes. They will also look at how animations are created and create their own animations.

Reading and Times Tables

Reading: we would like the children to read everyday. Reading is the skill that allows children to access other areas of the curriculum, therefore it is really important that your child is encouraged to read at home. It is great if you are able to listen to your child read out loud. Please read for 10-15 minutes per day with an adult. There are plenty of books on Epic reader, our class code htz8430. All the books in school and online link with accelerated reader. Our whole class story this term is 'The Firework-Maker's Daughter' By Philip Pullman.

Times Tables

Children should spend 20 minutes on Times Table Rock Stars

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>

Class/School Awards:

Times tables badges:

Bronze (2x, 5x and 10x)

Silver (3x, 4x, 6x and 11x)

Gold (All of the times tables will be tested; 2x, 5x, 10x, 3x, 4x, 6x, 11x, 7x, 8x, 9x, 12x)

Our KIRF this term is Decimal Equivalent of fractions.

Dates for this term

Clubs

Athletics 3.00pm-3.45 Thursday

Bath Rugby will be working with class 4 on Friday looking at healthy choices.

On Tuesday Class 4 have a Dance coach, developing rhythm and movement.

Useful Information

PE

PE Our regular PE day will be every Tuesday and Friday. Please can you make sure that your child wears their PE kit in to school on this day to save changing? The PE kit should include a white/burgundy t-shirt, black shorts and daps/trainers for outdoor activities. The children may also wear a tracksuit for outdoor PE in the colder months but no hoodies please unless they are the new school hoody which can be purchased on goodies.

Homework will be sent out weekly on a Friday and will be due in the following Thursday.

Spellings will also be sent home each Friday and pupils are expected to practise them ready for a test on the Friday.

...and finally

As ever, if you have any worries or questions relating to your child and need a little more time, please do not hesitate to arrange a time to talk. It is important for us all that your children are happy at school, so please keep us informed of any concerns, no matter how small.

You can contact me via email: Rdobson@stmaryswrithlington.co.uk or classdojo.

May we take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Dobson and Mrs Clapperton