

Year 4 Newsletter Spring 2024

¡Feliz año Nuevo! Happy New Year!

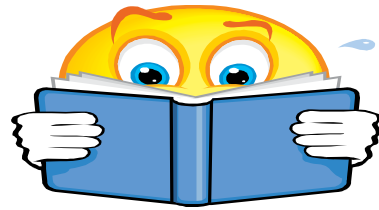
Thank you very much for all the lovely gifts and cards we received this Christmas. We hope you had a lovely Christmas and have your 'can-do' attitude ready for the New Year.

Our Big Questions this term are: What was life like as a child during the Industrial Revolution? Donde en Espana estoy? (Where in Spain am I?) Where in the UK am I?

Literacy

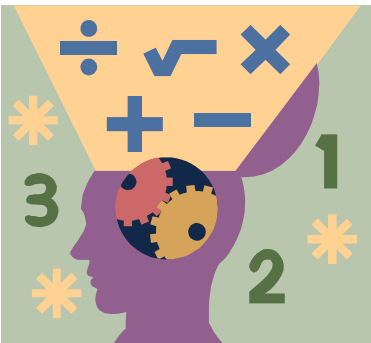
Our Literacy work will be based around:

- *stories from other cultures
- *persuasive writing
- *stories set in imaginary worlds



Please help your child to learn the words/spelling patterns they are given. Spelling assessments will take place on Fridays with Grand Spell at the end of each half term. Please ensure that your child completes their reading record, in detail, (green book) at least 3 times a week. Reading records will be checked every Monday. They should always have a home reading book and their record with them. Volume reading helps writing and spelling, whilst feeding into maths, science and all the other life skills your child needs!

Maths



We will continue to work hard in maths and this term our focus is on multiplication, division, length and perimeter, fractions and decimals. Your child will have a weekly times tables test and a fortnightly arithmetic test. Children will be encouraged to solve a range of puzzles or problems and explain how they found the answer.

We continue to work hard on our recall of times tables facts as we prepare for the multiplication tables check in June. Children should be using TT Rockstars for at least 30 minutes each week. You can also practice the Multiplication Tables Check at the website below:

<https://mathsframe.co.uk/en/resources/resource/477/Multiplication-Tables-Check>

P.E.

This term P.E. lessons will be on gymnastics on Tuesdays and dance on Thursdays.

Children will need an indoor PE kit school on both PE days. It is important that all items of clothing are labelled.

R.E.

We will be presenting the Easter service in Church on the last day of term. During RE we will learn about the betrayal of Jesus, why Christians call the day Jesus died Good Friday and why Jesus is the son of God.

ART/DT

This term we will be looking at Spanish artist Picasso and creating images based upon Picasso's different periods. In DT we will be designing and making our own healthy biscuits.



SCIENCE

In Science, we will be learning about living things and their habitats, looking at classification keys and food chains and recognising that environments can change and this can sometimes pose dangers to living things.

COMPUTING

This term we will be looking at algorithms and programs, learning how to debug a program and designing a program to achieve a specific goal.

SPANISH

In Spanish, we will be listening and responding to a Spanish story 'Los cuatro amigos'. Children will be learning to describe animals colour and movement.

Homework - thanks for your super effort ensuing homework is completed on time. We know we can count on you to keep up the good work! Remember homework is set on a Thursday to be handed in the following Tuesday. Homework can always be handed in earlier, if completed before the day it is due in.

This information is designed to help you all have an idea of the topics and key times for some of the events in the spring term. We know we can count on your support for the children's learning. If you would like to discuss any issues, please feel free to call in after 3.30pm any day.

Many thanks!

Mrs Booth and Mrs Burke.