

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another wonderful week in year 4 and even though the days are getting a little bit colder and gloomier, the children are still happy and smiling! The term is flying by, and half-term is fast approaching! This week, the children have been working hard on their assessments and we are proud to see the children 'trying their best' and building their resilience. The assessments help to inform our planning and help us to see where the children are at so that we can support and challenge them further.

In English, we continued with our current writing genre of instructions. The children were given a task to think of some ideas of 'How to please your teacher'. Well, let's just say I think we will be eating a lot of chocolate! Their ideas were truly wonderful! In Maths this week, we continued to work with column addition, progressing to addition pyramids and worded questions throughout the week. In Topic, the children learnt about map symbols and used their knowledge of four-figure grid references to create a map using the symbols.

Just as a gentle reminder, both gates open at 8:40am - children are expected to be in class by 8:50am.

If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to send us a message on Seesaw or come and speak to us following the dismissal of the children at the end of the day.

Thank you and we hope you have a great weekend!

The Year 4 Team

Important Dates:

- Monday 18<sup>th</sup> October - Celebrate our Differences Week
- Monday 18<sup>th</sup> October - Parent Consultation Meetings
- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> October - Parent Consultation Meetings
- Monday 25<sup>th</sup> October - Half term
- Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November - INSET day
- Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> November - Spooks and Sparkles Disco 6:00pm
- Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Pantomime
- Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas lunch
- Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December - Last day of term

Certificate Winners

Congratulations to our certificate winners this week: James (4TK), Samuel Cooper (4TK), Niki (4JJ), Kayra (4JJ), Danica (4SI), Leon (4SI). Children who received a Maths or Values certificate, will be celebrated in our main school newsletter released on a Friday.



### Homework

Please check the activities section on Seesaw each week as you may have been set a task by your class teacher.

### Science Task

This week, your task is to use the scientific method to conduct an experiment and write a report. The report should include the following:

- 1). Question - What are you experimenting?
- 2). Prediction - What do you think will happen? I think that...
- 3). Method - What did you do during the experiment? (Remember our instruction writing)
- 4). Results - What did you find out? Can you put these in a table? (We would love to see a photo)
- 5). Conclusion - Was your prediction correct?

### Ideas for Science Experiments at Home

[10 Easy & Cool Science Experiments for Kids | Day Out With The Kids](#)

**PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU DO YOUR EXPERIMENT WITH ADULT PERMISSION AND SUPERVISION**

### Maths Task

For this week's Maths homework you have been assigned tasks on Mathletics. Mathletics is an engaging online Maths programme. The tasks that have been assigned to you are in relation to the blocks of learning we have completed to date on place value and addition. You have also been assigned a task on solving two-step word problems with addition and subtraction as a challenge. Enjoy!

### Vocabulary Words

Please learn the definition of these words. You may wish to upload a short video, voice recording or a

note to tell us what they mean.

Compass

Map

Longitude

Latitude

### Times Tables

Each week we will be focusing on a times table of the week for you to learn. As well as the weekly spelling test, you will also have a times table one featuring the times table of the week. This week please learn your **8 times tables**. Please also use TTRS. TTRS is a carefully sequenced programme of daily times tables practice. Each week concentrates on a different times table, with a recommended consolidation week for rehearsing the tables that have recently been practised every third week or so.

### Reading

Please read for 20-30 minutes each day. Fill in your reading log whenever you complete a book. Don't forget to give it a rating. When you reach the milestones that are printed on the log you will receive a prize in assembly. Please remember to use **Bug club** regularly to help improve your reading. All students are expected to read 10 Bug club books per term.

### Spellings

In preparation for our spelling assessment next week, we have included all the spellings that the children have been given to date so that they can practice them at home. If the children have been learning the purple and orange words, they are the ones which they will be tested on. If the children have been learning the orange and green words, they are the ones which they will be tested on.

**Spelling Rule** - Homophones: Words that sound the same but are spelt differently and have different meanings.

Purple	Orange	Green
Money	Missed	Centre
Beautiful	Mist	Century
After	Witch	Certain
Behind	Which	Circle
Break	Brake	Complete