



Year 4 November 2017

Please have a look at what we will be doing this half term.

I hope everybody has had an enjoyable half term break. I wanted to provide you with some important information about your child's education for the rest of this term. Our main theme this half term is 'What is Life Like in Our Regional Capitals?' We will learn all about famous landmarks and traditional celebrations in our regional capitals as well as planning journeys between these using a range of map skills.

Literacy

In literacy we will be looking at the work of David Walliams, particularly Gangster Granny. This will be used as inspiration for our own story and descriptive writing.

As always children will be given new spellings to learn each week on a Monday in preparation for a weekly test the following Monday. Please ensure your child works on learning their spellings throughout the week.

Numeracy

In numeracy we will be continuing with our 'number work' focusing on the understanding of fractions and place value of whole and decimal numbers. We will still be looking at shape and measures too as well as methods of handling data. All children should by now know most of their times tables as these are of enormous benefit in a variety of ways. By the end of year 4 it is expected that all children will know all of the times tables up to 12 x 12. We will also work hard to apply our knowledge and

understanding of mathematics to solve problems and puzzles in a variety of contexts.

Science

In science we will be exploring physical science by learning about sound, how it is made and how sound travels. We will investigate the link between volume and the amount of vibration created, looking for patterns in our data to draw our own conclusions.

RE

In RE we will be learning about the Christian community and what it means to belong to a faith group. We will continue to explore Christian festivals in more detail, and of course extend our understanding of the Christmas story.

ICT

In the ICT suite we will be looking at how to keep ourselves safe when using computers and other technologies, including mobile technologies such as iPads.

We will also use a variety of software to develop our word processing and creative skills to produce a range of pieces of work.

PE

PE will continue to be on Monday and Thursday and children will require full kit (plain red shorts and plain

white t-shirt and plain black jogging bottoms and sweatshirt for outdoors), including appropriate footwear; jewellery is not to be worn on these days due to the safety issues.

Foundation subjects

Our learning about our regional capitals will cover a range of art and design work, including looking at and attempting to recreate the industrial art work of L. S. Lowry, as well as using a range of other skills to create images of British Landmarks.

Another busy half term – we can hardly wait to get started!

Class information

All children have been issued with reading books and will be expected to read **everyday at home**. Regular reading practice will help your child not only with their reading but also their writing in literacy and other subject areas.

I am always available after school to answer any concerns you may have about your child, so please feel free to come and discuss any worries or questions you may have with myself, Mrs Eden or Mr Allen.

Miss Ashworth