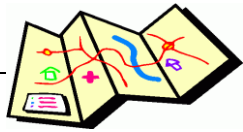




Information for Parents and Carers

Class 4: Autumn Term 1



Where in the World is Greenfield?

The focus of this half term's **Geography** work is **Where in the World is Greenfield**. The children will develop their mapping skills, including interpreting a range of maps, six-figure grid references and OS symbols. The children will carry out fieldwork in the local area and produce their own maps.

English:

This half term, our writing will be inspired by **Beetle Boy** by M.G.Leonard. The children will explore the characters and work on their story writing. They will carry out their own research about beetles and, in time, will invent and describe their own beetle and how to catch it! The children will work on reading and comprehension skills, alongside discrete spelling and grammar learning, to support our written work.



Maths:

In maths, we will begin with a focus on place value and then methods of calculation for the 4 operations and a focus on problem solving. Our geometry work will develop the children's knowledge of angles and their ability to reason about angles within shapes. They will measure length and calculate perimeter and area.



Science:

This half-term's science topic is **Materials**. The children will investigate the properties of materials including their hardness, transparency, magnetism and conductivity. The children will investigate materials which dissolve, and how to separate different mixtures of materials. Finally, they will explore reversible and irreversible changes.

PE & Games:

This half term's PE will be **Multi-skills on Mondays** and **Dance on Tuesdays**.



Please ensure that your child has both indoor and outdoor kit in school at all times, as days can change if the hall is booked out or the weather is poor. Please provide trainers or pumps and **bobbles** to tie back long hair. Children should remove their **earrings** or bring **plasters** to cover them if they can't be taken out.

How you can help at home

- Class 4 home-learning will be set on **Fridays** and should be completed by the following **Wednesday**.
- It will usually consist of a piece of **Maths and English** work to consolidate the learning in class: This may be online (eg: Mathletics) so if children do not have access to a tablet or computer at home, please let us know and we can arrange for them to do it in school or have a paper copy.
- There will also be a set of **spelling words** for the children to practise for a spelling test each Friday.
- To support our topic learning this term, there will be a set of **HOME LEARNING CHALLENGES**. The children should do a minimum of **3 each half term**. *These will be celebrated and shared with the class!*
- Children will note their home learning in their Diary each week. **Please sign the diary and use the comments box** as a way of communicating with me; how they got on, what they enjoyed and any issues that cropped up so that I can follow it up ASAP.
- Finally, it cannot be underestimated how important it is for your child to **READ AND BE READ TO** regularly. Please encourage them to read and share books with you to build their confidence, fluency, and passion for reading!



Class 4 - Dates for your diary:

- 10th Sept – Class 4 Meet the Teacher @ 5pm
- 18th Sept - Parent workshop: Home Learning 9am & 6pm
- 8th & 10th Sept – Grandparent Lunches
- 11th Sept – Harvest Festival in Church 9.30am
- 14th & 17th October – Class 4 Heart Start training
- 24th & 25th October – Bikeability
- 25th October – Individual Photos



Cross Curricular Learning:

Our **RE** theme is entitled, 'Beliefs in Action around the World' and the children will learn about the work of Christian Aid and Islamic Relief. In **MFL (French)** this term, they will begin by learning greetings, how to give their name and age and learn some numbers and colours. Our **PSHCE** and **SEAL** work this half-term will follow the theme of 'New Beginnings', we will also prepare for the Harvest Festival, celebrate world Peace Day and the children will complete Heart Start first aid training. The **Art** focus is drawing and the children will complete a project on Portraits.

