

Week beginning

30/10/23

Year 4 Newsletter

STAR moments

We had an extremely busy but great final week of the half term. All staff felt very proud of the children in Year 4 at the way they have settled into their new year group and how they have embraced all the new learning. We attended the speech making competition for KS2 - a big well done to 4L for being one of the KS2 winners! The quality of all performances across the year group was outstanding, well done to all our year 4 children!

This week's happy leaves are awarded to
4H Melissa
4S Khadija
4L Jasmine



This week's learning..

This week, sees the start of our new topic 'Media Mayhem'. In this topic, we will explore a range of different ways that news is shared around the world. This term we will be reading and taking inspiration from the book by Charles Dickens, *Oliver Twist*. In English, Year 4 will be analysing newspaper articles. We will explore all the journalistic features of a newspaper and the children be will rehearsing a variety of oracy techniques, such as interviewing and becoming a news presenter! This links nicely with computing where will introduce the concept of being a presenter. Watch presenters in action and discuss the features of presenting.

In Maths this week, we are continuing to work on Maths - No Problem! where we will be learning about subtraction within 10,000. We will begin D&T this half term and creating a light box. This will be made from wood and we will be learning how to create a 3D box with this material. The children will learn new skills and create circuits to light up their boxes using a circuit board and coding. As scientists we will continue our work on States of Matter where the children will plan and investigate, use correct scientific vocabulary, use comparative and fair testing and draw scientific diagrams.

We will be combining history and geography and this week we will be looking at, what is human geography, how human geography is different to physical geography, how is it evident in our local area and looking at the features of human geography in London with a focus on the Docklands. In music, we will begin practising for our Christmas Concert, the children will learn vocal technique, breathing and performance skills. Throughout the whole half term they will focus on their singing, listening, performing and appraising skills. We will learn all the songs ready for a performance in the last week of term.

Cut Your Carbon

We will be taking part in 'Cut your carbon' month for November. Scan the QR code for more details!



Over to you...Home learning

Log on to **Mathletics** and complete the work assigned to you each day! **Log in details are in your reading record.**

Continue to improve your reading skills by logging onto **Bug Club** each day. Remember to share a chapter from your favourite book with someone at home too.

Strive to achieve your bronze, silver or gold awards on **Times Tables Rockstars** too.



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