



Year 4 Homework Letter – Friday 9th December 2022

Our Learning This Week

English

In English this week, the children have continued writing their sequel to *FARTHER* by Grahame Baker Smith. They have given careful consideration to how they might write their opening paragraph in such a way to engage the reader's interest to ensure they continue reading. They also spent time writing their concluding paragraph including a cliff hanger with the aim being that people would want to read their threequel (were one to be written!) We have also spent time this week doing peer assessment where the children have read each other's work, fed-back to their partner who has then in turn made any necessary amendments. This has proved invaluable in developing the quality of the children's creative writing.

Maths

In Maths this week, the children have continued their topic focusing on multiplication and division. We have been recapping on our 7, 11 and 12 times tables whilst developing the children's understanding and application of their corresponding division facts. We have also spent time learning different strategies on how to make these calculations such as using bar model graphs, base ten and place value counters.

Homework

The English activities are to learn the consolidating spellings and complete an activity sheet using personal pronouns. For Maths the children must practise their 9 times table and complete the worksheet.

Wellbeing

After the Christmas holiday small groups of children will be going out once a week to help paint our new bug hotel. I will let you know in advance when your child will be having their turn so they can bring appropriate clothing to be worn during the activity.

Art

In their lessons this half term the children have been learning about Picasso and his Cubist style of art. Using this genre the children have created portraits using collage which were then developed into paintings. This work has helped to develop the children's understanding and appreciation of surrealism as well as enabling them to make progress in their painting skills.

This will be my last homework letter of 2022! We have had such a great term together and we look forward to the Spring Term when the children, I and Mrs Nadeem shall have more fun, learning and adventures together! We wish you all a peaceful Christmas and best wishes for the 2023!

Dates for your Diary

Christmas lunch – Wednesday 15th December

Christmas Service—Thursday 15th December at Christ Church.

Last day of Autumn term – Friday 16th December

Christmas Break - 19th December 2022 – 2nd January 2023

Return to school—Tuesday 3rd January.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Rutter and Mrs Nadeem