



Year 4 Homework Letter – Friday 24th March 2023

Our Learning This Week

English

In English, the children have stated a mini topic using the story book 'Varmints' by Helen Ward as the stimulus for our learning. The children have read through the book and have also watched the short film of the story. Through watching the film, the children have considered carefully the use of sound and music to create mood, atmosphere and meaning for the audience. We wrote descriptive paragraphs of the opening scene showing the contrast in its settings and how to use personification to bring the story to life for the reader. I have attached the link to the short film should you wish to watch it with your child.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S-uecoZMXzI>

Maths

In Maths this week, the children have started a new topic learning about decimals. The children explored tenths through different representations of 1 whole split into ten equal parts, including place value counters, straws, counters on a ten frame and bead strings. The children were then introduced to decimal numbers and the decimal point. We continued to explore the tenths column in a place value chart, developing our previous learning to include numbers greater than 1. The children extended their understanding of tenths by exploring them on a number line. Number lines help children to see the relationship between tenths and whole numbers. We finished the week by dividing a 1-digit number by 10, resulting in a decimal number with 1 decimal place.

Easter Gardens

Easter Gardens should be brought into school on Monday 27th and Tuesday 28th March so the Faith Team can judge them on Wednesday 29th March. The winning entry will be announced in Collective Worship on Thursday 30th March. If you would like to find out more about how to make an Easter Garden, RE Quest have made a short presentation you could watch:
<https://request.org.uk/resource/restart/2017/02/23/make-an-easter-garden/>

Collective Worship

Thank you to all of the parents and carers who were able to come along on Wednesday to watch the children's Collective Worship. I was incredibly proud of them for their performance on the day but also for all of the hard work each one of them had put into it to prepare. Well done Year 4!

Homework

The English activities are to learn Week 5 spellings and complete the activity on personification. For Maths the children must practise all of their times tables and complete times table worksheets.

Dates for your Diary

Parents' and Carers' meetings—27th to 29th March 2023

Easter service at Christchurch – Friday 31st March at 9.30am

End of spring term – Friday 31st March

Summer Term Return to School – Monday 17th March

St. George's day – red shirt (23rd April)

Monday 24th April

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Rutter and Mrs Nadeem