



Year 4 Homework Letter – Friday 28th April 2023

Our Learning This Week

English

In English, the children have continued studying the story 'Iron Man' by Ted Hughes. We started the week by summarising key events which had occurred in the story so far and then predicted what we thought might happen next in the text. The children went on to explore the imagery used by the author to describe the Iron Man and the setting and discussed the impact this has on the reader. We also used multi-clause sentences to write a descriptive menu of metal-based foods for the Iron Man to consume! The children thought about how an author builds suspense through their writing and wrote log entries as an astronomer to tell of the discovery of the space dragon. The children ended the week using the program 2Animate on the I-pads to show the evolution of the star into the space dragon which arrives on Earth causing havoc for all!

Maths

This week we have continued learning about decimals. We learnt to place decimal in order of size with up to 2 decimal places. The children then rounded decimals with 1 decimal place to the nearest whole number using the word "integer" as an alternative to "whole number". In the next step the children applied their knowledge of decimal equivalents of hundredths and tenths to recognise and write $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{3}{4}$ as decimals. We ended the week with an end of unit assessment for which the children have had their results.

Multiplication Tables Check

The check will take place between 5th and 16th June. The children will be required to answer 25 questions from all of times tables up to 12, being given 6 seconds per question with a 3 second pause between each one. The checks will be performed on the i-pads in small groups in a quiet space in the school. In class, we practise our times tables after lunch every day. The children have been using a program on Purple Mash which is similar to the one they will use for the check so is an excellent way for them to develop their confidence and speed in their calculations. The children have their login details for Purple Mash in the front cover of their reading journal and should know how to access the program and customise it to reflect what we do in class. It would be greatly appreciated if you could encourage your child to practise their times tables at home in preparation for the check in June.

Homework

The English activities are to learn Week 2 spellings and complete the activity on similes. For Maths the children must practise all of their times tables and complete the decimal activity.

Dates for your Diary

Monday 24th April
Bank holiday for King's Coronation -
Monday 8th May
Wellbeing Wednesday - 10th May (P.E kit)
Mufti Day for bottles for the Summer
Garden Party - Friday 26th May
INSET Day - Monday 5th June
INSET Day - Tuesday 6th June
Wellbeing Wednesday - 28th June (P.E kit)

Have a lovely weekend!
Mrs Rutter and Mrs Nadeem