



## Year 4 Homework Letter – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2024

### Our Learning This Week

#### English

In English this week, we have continued exploring our current text, 'The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe' by C.S Lewis. The children have used expanded noun phrases to express an emotional response to the character of Aslan and to describe their own alternative version to this lead character. We considered certain scenes from the story and explored how the authorial technique of using humour can give a reader 'light relief' from a tense moment. The children went on to infer and deduce what might have been said between Mr Beaver and Father Christmas in a conversation not included by the author devising, performing and writing their own scripted scenes.

#### Maths

This week, we have started our new unit on 'Length and Perimeter'. In previous years, children measured lengths using metres (m) and centimetres (cm). They have now been introduced to kilometres and the abbreviation 'km'. The children used the fact that 1 km is equal to 1,000 m to derive related facts using numbers up to 10,000. The children explored perimeter focussing on calculating the perimeter of rectangles using the side lengths, rather than counting the squares. This work was developed further by calculating the perimeter of rectilinear shapes, where all sides meet at right angles. The children were taught that when calculating perimeter they should mark the sides they have already counted to avoid duplication or omission.

#### Arts

This half term, the children are learning about the life and work of Frida Kahlo. They have drawn self-portraits using pencil and then moved on to paint a second self-portrait using watercolour paint.

#### Gatton Park

We are looking forward to our trip on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March to Gatton Park. The total cost of the trip is £20, which can be paid in two instalments of £10 through Scopay.

#### Love Project

Thank you so much for all your donations! Year 4 have now collect over 60 tins! We will be continuing this Love Project for the remainder of this half term in aid of the local charity Love Works.

#### Homework

The English activities are to learn Week 4 spellings and to read for at least 15 minutes each evening. For Maths, the children must continue to practise all of their times tables on 'Times Tables Rock Stars'.

#### Dates for your Diary

31.01.24 - Wellbeing Wednesday (full P.E kit needed)  
05.02.24 - Cooking week (apron required)  
07.02.24 - Year 4 Collective Worship at 9.05am  
21.02.24 - PTFA Bags2School Collection  
23.02.24 - PTFA KS2 Disco 5.15 to 6.15pm  
01.03.24 - St. David's Day - yellow shirt  
15.03.24 - PTFA Year 4 Cake Sale 3.15 to 3.45pm  
26.03.24 - Gatton Park trip (normal school hours)

Have a lovely weekend!  
Mrs Rutter and Miss Oastler