



## Year 4 Homework Letter - Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2024

### Our Learning This Week

#### English

In English, the children have explored the story of 'The Iron Man' by Ted Hughes through the medium of drama. They have used a variety of techniques including role play, improvisation, thought tracking, conscience alley and forum theatre in order to deepen their understanding of the story. The children really enjoyed working practically, allowing them to bring the text to life and gain new and different insights into it. At the end of each practical session the children wrote up what they had done reflecting on what they had learnt from their experiences. We also spent some time this week learning about sub-ordinate clauses and how they should be used to support a main clause.

#### Maths

This week, we have continued with our topic: 'Time'. The children recapped the relationships between a year, a month, a week and a day and the number of seconds in a minute and minutes in an hour, from Year 3. We then moved onto converting between analogue and 12-hour digital times, reinforcing and building on their learning in Year 3. The children were then introduced to writing 24-hour clock times and then reinforced their understanding of the 24-hour clock format by converting to 12-hour clock times and representing them on analogue clocks. We will conclude this topic next with an end of unit assessment before moving onto learn about shape.

#### P.E

This half term, the children have been learning how to play tennis and the Maypole dances. The children will be performing the dances at the school Summer Garden Party on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July so please do put the date in your diary, it is such a lovely event and the children are working very hard learning all the steps to perform the dances for you.

#### Multiplication Tables Check

The check will take place between 3<sup>rd</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> June. We will aim to do all of the checks within the first week. Each morning, I will take a small group down to the Southwark Room to complete the check on the iPads, the whole process usually take no longer than 10 minutes. It would be greatly appreciated if you could encourage your child to practise their times tables at home using the Purple Mash program.

#### Homework

The English activities are to learn Summer 1 Week 5 spellings and to read for 15 minutes each evening. For Maths, the children must practise all of their times tables on Purple Mash.

#### Dates for your Diary

Whole class photograph - Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May  
PTFA Cinema - Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May  
Non-uniform Day for bottles for the Summer Garden Party - Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May  
INSET Day - Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June  
INSET Day - Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June  
Sparkfish Think Space - W/C 19<sup>th</sup> June  
Wellbeing Wednesday - 28<sup>th</sup> June (P.E kit)  
Indian Dance Workshop - 22<sup>nd</sup> June

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Rutter and Miss Oastler