



## Year 4 Homework Letter - Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2024

### Our Learning This Week

#### Feeling Good Week

This week has been a break from the usual daily rhythms of school life with the children experiencing a range of activities and learning focussing on their wellbeing. We have had such a lovely time together and I hope the children have really benefited from this bespoke week of education. Please see below for a snap shot of what the children have been doing! Also, please do check our Year 4 page on the school website next week for photographs of the different activities.

#### English

In English, the children have been focussing on reading and comprehension exploring texts centred on the theme of wellbeing and healthy food. The children read complicated recipes and information about different food groups before answering a series of questions about what they had read.

#### Maths

We took a pause this week from our current topic on 'Position and Coordinates'. We enjoyed a variety of Maths based activities using the four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division) based on the theme of healthy foods.

#### Expressive Arts

On Monday morning, the children participated in an Indian Dance workshop. They learnt a choreographed sequence of moves taken from traditional and contemporary Indian styles of dance. The children focussed really well during the session, listening well to the instructor and following his instructions to be able to dance a complex piece. They all enjoyed the experience greatly.

### Healthy Eating

On Tuesday morning, the children learnt all about the different food groups and what a balanced meal could look like. They then designed their own plate of food making sure they had included the different food groups according to the proportion of the plate they should take up.

#### Expressive Arts

On Tuesday afternoon, the children enjoyed watching a production of 'Alice in Wonderland'. This was their annual treat given to them by our PTFA.

#### Wellbeing Wednesday

In the children's session with our sports coach Pete, the morning was spent learning how to play cricket. The children explored their understanding of the principles of striking and fielding. They expanded on their knowledge of the different roles of bowler, wicket keeper, fielder and batter. In the activities, they thought about how they could use skills, strategies and tactics to outwit the opposition. They achieved this by striking a ball and trying to avoid fielders, so that they could run between wickets to score runs. The children were given opportunities to work in collaboration with others, play fairly demonstrating an understanding of the rules and being respectful of the other players.

#### Hop-a-thon

The children had lots of fun on Wednesday participating in our annual hop-a-thon around the school field! Many of the children came with their bunny ears and bobtails to enjoy the event! Our aim is to raise money for Trinity Farm, if you are able to, please make your donation through Scopay.



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Our learning on Thursday morning was focussed on our Wellbeing curriculum. The children continues with our PSHÉ topic on 'Healthy Bodies and Healthy Minds' and 'Coping with Changes'. We took the opportunity to visit our Bug Hotel to find and observe some mini beasts! The children and I also went for a walk around our wildlife area and to Trinity Farm to visit the animals.

#### Sports Day

We ended our 'Feeling Good Week' with a thoroughly enjoyable afternoon participating in all the different activities organised by Mr Bowen. The children worked together in their Saint Teams using each of their skills to participate in the hockey dribble, target throwing, javelin, hurdles, sprinting, basketball throwing, water relay and the traditional egg and spoon race!

#### Maypole - Saturday 6th July

Our performance starts at 12:30pm so please could children meet me at 12:15pm outside the Year 4 classroom in the undercover area. The dance will take between 15-20 minutes at which point the children will be free to go. I am very proud of the children for how well they have risen to this challenge and I have every confidence that their performance will be marvelous!

#### Homework

The English activities are to learn Summer 2 Week 4 spellings and to read for 15 minutes each evening. For Maths, the children must practise all of their times tables on Times Tables Rock Stars.

### Cooking

As part of our Design and Technology curriculum topic Year 4 will be learning how to bake healthy cookies. You will have received a Parent Mail with the list of ingredients so please do let me know if your child has any allergies to any of them so I can make the necessary adjustments. It would be greatly appreciated if you could make the £1 donation on Scopay to cover the cost of the ingredients. The children will be working in small groups in the school kitchen with Miss Oastler to do their baking. They will also have the opportunity to eat their cookies together and evaluate their cooking skills. Please ensure your child brings in their cooking apron with them on Monday. This activity is also a follow on from our 'Feeling Good Week' and looking at healthier alternatives for when we fancy a sweet treat!

#### Dates for your Diary

28.06.24 - INSET Day

01.07.24 - Art Exhibition 1.30pm-4.30pm

02.07.24 - Art Exhibition 3.15pm-4.30pm

02.07.24 - Open Evening 3.15pm-4.30pm

06.07.24 PTFA Summer Garden Party  
12.00pm-3.00pm (Year 4 will be performing the Maypole)

19.07.24 - Leavers' Service Christchurch  
9.30am

19.07.24 - Last day of term

22.07.24 - INSET Day

23.07.24 - INSET Day

02.09.24 - INSET Day

03.09.24 - INSET Day

25.10.24 - INSET Day

02.06.25 - INSET Day

04.07.25 - INSET Day

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Rutter and Miss Oastler