



Year 4 Homework Letter - Friday 7th December 2024

Our Learning This Week

English

In English this week, the children have continued to explore our current text for this half term *FARTHER* by Grahame Baker Smith. The children have planned a sequel to this story using a story mountain to aid them in the development of their narrative structure. We then moved on to writing their opening and build up paragraphs in which they included the use of fronted adverbial and expanded noun phrases. Next week, they will continue writing their story before editing it and writing it up in neat.

After Christmas, we will be using the story 'The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe' by C.S Lewis as our text in English. It is really lovely for the children to be able to read the story from their own copy so if you are able to source a book for you child it would be greatly appreciated as we have a limited number in school.

Maths

In Maths this week, the children have continued their topic focusing on multiplication and division learning how to multiply by 1 and 0. The children explored the effect of multiplying by 1 and noticed that when they multiply a number by 1, the result will always be the number itself. The children also learnt that when multiplying any number by zero the result is always zero. The children applied their knowledge of multiplication to multiply three numbers together. They were also introduced to the idea of the associative law, which focuses on the fact that it does not matter how they group the numbers when they multiply. For example, $4 \times 5 \times 2 = (4 \times 5) \times 2 = 20 \times 2 = 40$ or $4 \times (5 \times 2) = 4 \times 10 = 40$.

Theatre Trip

The children and I are very excited about our forthcoming trip on **Thursday 12th December**, to see a production of 'The Nutcracker' at the Polka Theatre in Wimbledon. We shall be leaving school at 12:15pm so all of the children will be having an early lunch on that day before we head off. We will be returning to school by the recently revised earlier time of **4:15pm**. We have decided not to buy drinks or ice creams during the interval of the production due to the extra cost this would incur. Children will need to wear full school uniform for this trip and we have spoken with them about our expectations of behaviour whilst in the theatre watching the production. Thank you so much to all of you who have paid for the trip through Scopay, if you have not yet had the chance we would appreciate it if you could at your earliest convenience.

Homework

The English activities are to learn Autumn 2 Week 5 spellings and to read each evening for 15-20 minutes. For Maths, the children must practise all of their times tables on Purple Mash.

Dates for your Diary

18.12.24 - Christmas Lunch
19.12.24 - Christmas Service at Christ Church
9.30am-11.00am
19.12.24. - PTFA Christmas Fair 3.15pm -
5.30pm
20.12.24 - Last day of term
06.01.25 - Start of Spring Term
29.01.25 - Wellbeing Wednesday (full P.E kit to be worn)
30.01.25 - Happy School Bag Collection

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Rutter, Miss Oastler and Miss Lindsay