



John Muir Class - Year 4




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Summer 1- Newsletter

Welcome to the Summer 1. Whilst this is a short half-term, it promises to be a busy one, filled with geography, DT, French, and science topics.

The teachers in year 4 are Mr Symes and Miss Jones.

If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to ask. Thank you.

Our Christian Values



Our Christian values this term are: Forgiveness and Respect

What are we learning:

In English, we are going to link in our geography topic and we will write a holiday brochure. We will write two: one for York and one for Athens. This brochure will develop our persuasive writing, but also look at the physical and human geography of York and Athens.

Proof reading will be a big focus for this piece of writing. The children will be practising re-reading their work to ensure their spelling, punctuation and grammar is correct.

In maths, we will be picking up where we left off and focussing on decimals. Once we finish that topic, we will move onto learning about money, and then time. With time, we will be converting between 12 hour and 24 hour clocks.

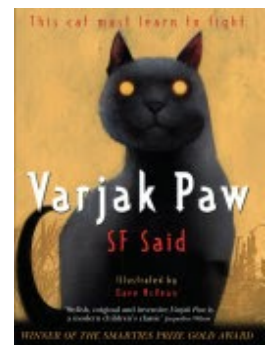
In science, we will be learning all about sound and how it travels. We will be becoming scientists and planning, observing, and recording a range of experiments to deepen our understanding about sound.

In geography, our focus is on Athens. Greece. We are comparing this city with York and looking at any similarities and differences between these two historic cities. In particular, we will be comparing the human and physical features of these two places.



What are we Reading?

This term we will be reading Varjak Paw by S. F. Said



We will also be reading a range of picture books, poetry and non-fiction texts linked to our geography, science and writing topics



Homework

Each week, the homework expectation is:

- Complete the spelling assignment on EdShed. This will be set each Friday, to be completed by the following
- Friday. Complete 20 minutes per week on TTRockstars (practising all timestables.) To read each
- day, either their school book or a book of their choice.

There will be TTRockstars club on Thursday lunchtimes and Spelling club on Thursday lunchtimes to help support anyone who cannot access the apps at home that week. We also have sheets in the classroom for those who have trouble accessing for that week. If you have lost or cannot access EdShed or TTRockstars, please let me know as soon as possible.

Links and areas to support current learning.

Each half term we have a key instant recall fact that we will focus on. For this half-term it will be:

Recognise decimal equivalents of $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{4}$ and $\frac{3}{4}$

Here's a website to help support:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zstqdp3#zp8t9ty>

In English, we're focussing on possessive apostrophes. Here's a website to support with our learning:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zx9ydxs>

Upcoming dates

5th May: Bank Holiday

16th May: Break the Rules day

PE and Music



PE will be on Monday this term, so children will need to be in their kit that day.



Music will be on Wednesday afternoons, so they will need to bring their ukueles in each Wednesday.

TTRockstars

Timestables are a big focus in year 4 and the children will be practising daily at school and have regular time on

TTRockstars. Children are asked to spend time at home, practising these too. We will have a TTRockstar of the week for children who work extremely hard.