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Year 4 Newsletter

Term 3

CLASSROOM NEWS

Welcome to a new year! Will you and your family be making any New Year Resolutions? It is a great time to start afresh and try something new that will have a positive impact on your physical health, mental health or overall happiness. A lot of our learning this term will be linked to this. We are looking forward to getting back into routine after a lovely Christmas break and enjoying some interesting new topics in each subject.



REMINDERS

- PE is **now on a Tuesday for Kingfisher (swimming) and Nightingale (PE lesson)**
Please ensure your child wears their PE kit to school on this day.
- Please ensure you send your child to school with a coat as the weather is very changeable at this time of year.
- Times Tables will be tested in class so please support your child to practise these at home.

CALENDAR EVENTS

- 5th January** Whole School - Start of term three
all children return to school at 8.40am
- 15th January** Year Four – Pre-payment meeting
for parents of children in year four
3.20pm with Mrs. Douglas
- 26th January** Whole School – Spirited Arts Week
until 30th January
- 30th January** Whole School - Spirited Arts Gallery
Hall 3.20pm – 4.15pm
- 5th February** Year Four – Parent Meeting
Multiplication tables check
meeting with Mrs. Douglas 3.20pm
- 6th February** Whole School - NSPCC Number Day
- 9th February** Whole School - Children's Mental
Health Week
- 10th February** Whole School – Online Safety Day
- 12th February** Year Four - Family Learn - Maths
9.00am – 10.00am
- 13th February** Whole School - End of Term Three
School finishes at normal time.



OUR VALUE OF THE TERM: Courage

We will be exploring our new value of 'courage'. What does the word courage mean to you? How can you show courage at home and in school. The Bible teaches us that God is always with us and does not leave our side. 'Be strong and courageous, do not be afraid and terrified'





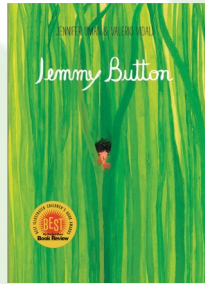
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We are learning about...

ENGLISH

Last term the children learnt about and wrote some brilliant persuasive letters and recounts. We particularly loved reading poems that the children had written at home and brought in! This term we are reading a new book called *Jeremy Button*. We will be completing some fantastic writing tasks including a non chronological report about an animal from the Amazon, but we will also have the opportunity to take part in some drama and role play to empathise with characters. We are excited to reach the ending of this book to find out what happens!



MATHS

Last term the children worked really hard on their times tables ready for the Year 4 MTC (multiplication tables check) test. We are proud of their progress. At home, on TTRS the magic number is 21 minutes a week. Once confident on all times tables the children should focus on soundcheck (3 games per week) and garage (heatmap). This term we will be learning the written methods for the four operations, so a secure times tables knowledge will help the children's accuracy and confidence.

PROJECT

Our project learning this term will be about rainforests and why rainforests are important to us.

Children will learn about:

- The location and some features of the rainforest
- Trees and plants adapt to living in the rainforest
- Ways in which the Amazon is changing
- How humans are having a negative impact on the Amazon and the action which can be taken to help.



HOW YOU CAN HELP AT HOME:

Please support your child with daily reading (a minimum of three times a week) and sign their Reading Record.

Homework tasks will sent out on a Monday and returned to school the following Monday.

TTRS practice on Garage Mode is most beneficial in preparation for the MTC.

You can help with your child's project learning by visiting a local woodland area.