

March 4th 2019

Year 4 Newsletter

This year is flying over! We will soon be into the summer term.

The children have been very busy. We have had assessment week, this week is reading week and we participated in the skipping festival.

Reading

'Reading Plus' is still going well for most of the children. We have also introduced 'Lexia' which the children seem to love. They can access this from home too (hopefully you all received the letter about it). We are also trying to encourage the children to change their reading book every week. They now have a bookmark at school and every time they change their book; they will receive a sticker. Three stickers will entitle them to a dip in the goodies' box. Please encourage your child to read regularly, thank you!

Writing

We have written some very good poetry which the children then presented to the class. They learned how to use their voices with intonation and how actions and expression can help people to enjoy the poems. This week (reading week) the children will be doing writing which is based around books. Then we will be writing adventure stories.

Spelling

Children will continue to have a spelling test each week (Friday) where they will be tested on spellings from the list given at the start of this half term. Each week we will focus on a spelling pattern and there will be some curriculum words. Please encourage your child to practise learning the spelling patterns.

Maths

This week in maths we will be working with measure and shape. The lessons will be based around books to support reading week. Next we will be doing mental multiplication and learning written methods for division.

RE

The children have been learning about Sacramental Preparation and the different parts of the Mass. On Wednesday, as we begin Lent, we will be attending Mass for the Ash Wednesday service. Our topic, which focuses on Lent, is about giving and self-discipline.

Creative Curriculum

Our new topic is 'This is Britain'. We will be learning about various aspects of Britain. We will be looking at geographical areas and some of the historical events that have occurred.

PE

Our recent PE lessons have involved skipping. The children learned how to do lots of different skills including double bounce, speed bounce, cross-over, side swing, face-to-face, butterfly and pretzel. They practised really well and on Friday we attended St Wilfrid's for the competition. We are so proud of our achievements – 4 gold certificates, 4 silver and 3 bronze. Well done to everyone for your fantastic efforts!

Some photos from the skipping competition.



The progress everyone made with skipping is amazing! More photos will be on the website!