



IF WE BELIEVE, WE CAN ACHIEVE

COLLABORATION - CONNECTIVITY – INDEPENDENCE – INNOVATION – QUESTIONING – REFLECTION - RESILIENCE

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back to a full week of weather which has led to the cancellation of some sporting events. However, we have noticed how positively the children have returned and there is plenty of buzz around the school as Year 4 look forward to their residential next week.

A number of children entered the Cranborne Chase 'A Sense of Place' creative writing competition. The year 4s entered the Age 8-15 category and I was super proud of their efforts to create some exciting short stories. Over half term the winners were announced and Veya in year 4 gained 2nd Prize for her category. Well done Veya and all those children who gave up their lunchtimes to have a go. It seems to have started a young writers club once a week so watch this space for authors of the future!

It was great to get back to face to face parents' meetings and opportunities for parents to see the children's work in their books. Thank you to those who made it through the weather. If you were unable to make an appointment, the teachers will be contacting you to arrange another time either in person or via a phone call.



Shoebboxes

We would like to ask parents to bring in shoe boxes (wrapped if possible) for our appeal. Any donation small or big is brilliant and we know it will make children who have a hard lives feel a little bit of happiness.

Thank you (From the RRS Ambassadors)

Raffle Tickets

Parents and Friends will be attending the **Scout's Bonfire Night** (see flyer attached) and their stall will be selling raffle tickets (**Win a Family Ticket to Camp Bestival**) and other goodies. Please support the school if you can, by buying some raffle tickets on sale at the event.

A snapshot of learning for this week:

Explorers have been exploring all about fire including how to keep safe and what fire is used for. There have been lots of discussion about fireworks and we have made sparkly, sparklers and bread stick sparklers dipped in sprinkles!



We have made the most of any sunshine to get out and about!



Adventurers have been investigating fireworks, what they are and why they are used. We found out about the past and who Guy Fawkes was and talked about how to keep safe on bonfire night, making our own safety posters. Outside we enjoyed painting in the style of Jackson Pollock...some super paint flicking and what a fantastic result, an amazing piece of group art.



Voyagers have invented a witch's potion in Let's Write, found out about and created sculptures of the 'Angel of the North' and its sculptor Antony Gormley.



Navigators and Pioneers have been learning how to use inverted commas in speech and discussing some traditional fairy tales in relation to our new book 'Into the Forest.' We also had a visit from Bournemouth Water where we learnt where the water we drink comes from, how it is made safe to drink and the things we can do to conserve water. This learning linked nicely into our learning about habitats, the rain forest and the water cycle.



A snapshot of learning next week:

In Explorers we will be basing our learning around the theme of Nursery rhymes.

In Adventurers we are very excited to be joining in with others around the world, celebrating World Nursery Rhyme week. We can't wait to see the Adventurers arriving on Monday dressed as their favourite nursery rhyme characters and are looking forward to sharing our rhymes and having a fun rhyming week together.

In Voyagers we will be launching our new theme ...watch this 'SPACE'.



In Navigators and Pioneers we will be continuing to incorporate speech into our writing and writing a 'role on the wall', looking at a character's thoughts, feeling and appearance. In geography, we will be looking at the different layers of the rainforest. Year 4 are off to Leeson House and Year 3 will be starting a film project as well as having a 'Bake off' and making rainforest models.

Upcoming Dates (All dates on school calendar on website)

Monday 6th November Nursery Rhyme Week (Explorers and Adventurers)

Wednesday 8th –Friday 10th November Year 4 residential to Leeson House

Monday 13th November Odd socks day to mark the start of Anti-Bullying week

Tuesday 14th November Year 4 visit to Moors Valley Country Park

Wednesday 15th November Years 1,2 and 3 visit to Moors Valley Country Park (Details to follow next week)

Thursday 16th November Y3/4 football festival (TBC by CMS)

Friday 17th November Children in Need

Thursday 30th November Whole School Visit to the Pantomime

Friday 31st November Whole School Decoration Day

Mufti - Items for Christmas Hampers

Thursday 7th December Christmas Bingo at the Village Hall

Friday 8th December Film Night and hotdogs (P&F fundraiser)

Kind regards,



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