

# YEAR 4 NEWSLETTER

Our newsletter is sent out fortnightly to keep you up to date.

Friday 12th September

Welcome to the Year 4 newsletter. We hope you have had a lovely summer. The children have settled really well and we are extremely pleased with how they have adapted to their Year 4 responsibilities. They have been working hard in their new books and we are pleased to say that they have begun well trying especially hard with their joined handwriting. We're sure you will agree that their handwriting is looking very neat.



#### Maths

In maths we have been looking at place value. Children have been understanding 4 digit numbers through fluency, reasoning and problem solving activities. The children explored place value during outdoor learning by using natural materials like stones and leaves to represent



different numbers. They worked in groups, arranging the items into thousands, hundreds, tens and ones, which helped them visualise and understand the concept of place value in a hands-on, engaging way.

https://www.topmarks.co.uk/ordering-and-sequencing/coconut-ordering

### English

In our English work the children have been reading <u>'The Egyptian Cinderella'</u> story. Focussing on adjectives and expanded noun phrases has allowed the children to develop their understanding of character descriptions and further develop their sentences.



Watch the video and complete the activities and quiz.

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zwwp8mn/articles/z3nfw6f

#### <u>Science</u>

In Science the children have been learning about electricity. They have been investigating the variety of in which electricity is created. When experimenting, they have made simple circuits which included, batteries, bulbs,



switches and motors. From these simple circuits the children will be investigating which materials are conductors and which are insulators of electricity.

Test your knowledge of conductors and insulators.

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zcj6yrd/articles/zb6mt39

### Multiplication

Children are currently revising their 2, 5, and 10 times tables, which are essential building blocks for understanding multiplication. As parents, it would be beneficial to begin recapping these tables at home. You can do this through fun activities like counting objects, or chanting multiplication songs. Regular practice and reinforcement will help your child become more confident and fluent in their times tables. Please use the link below to help with fun activities.

https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button

### **Key Information**

Tuesday 16th September – Tempest school photos – Individual and sibling photographs.

**PE days—Tuesday and Wednesday** We kindly would like any earrings removed on those days please.

Tuck Shop—Tuesday and Thursday— All items cost 40p. Healthy snacks— If you wish your child to have a snack at morning break they can have fruit or a healthy bar (which does not contain nuts).

**Homework**– This will be sent home on a **Thursday** and to be handed in on the following **Monday** unless another date is stated.

## Toys and keyrings in school

Please can we ask that toys such as Labubus are not sent into school and that only a small keyring is attached to book bags so they can be easily taken in and out of drawers. Thank you for your support.

We work hard,

enjoy school and try our best.

# **Diary dates**

Tuesday 16th September – Tempest School Photographs

Friday 3rd October – Egyptians @ Hancock Museum

Monday 6th October – KS2 Harvest Service – 2:30

Friday 12th December - KS2 Carol Service @St Mary's Church— 1:15-2:15

Tuesday 16th December—KS2 Christmas Party