



Year 4 Weekly update: Monday 17th September 2018

Swimming: We have had a wonderful week of swimming. Thank you for organising your children with the items they need. Children have taken great responsibility in getting themselves changed and are making good progress in swimming. We look forward to another great week of swimming this week!

PE: PE takes place every Monday afternoon. Children need their PE kit and trainers.

International Evening: please join us at 4.30pm on Thursday 27th September 2018.

Assembly: Year 4 will perform their first assembly on Friday 5th October 2018. This will take place in the top hall at 2.30pm. We hope to see you there!

Year 4 trip: Year 4 will visit the British Museum on Monday 15th October 2018, as part of our Africa topic. We will learn about Benin. A letter will be sent out with more information nearer the time.

Maths:

Last week, children developed their understanding of Roman Numerals.

They learnt to use place value, breaking numbers into tens and ones, to help them read larger Roman Numerals.

Guided Reading and English:

Children have started Guided Reading, which is an hour-long daily lesson. They are learning new vocabulary, and reading with a partner and adult to improve their fluency. They are exploring a range of reading comprehension questions to show their understanding of what they are reading.

Science:

Our new Science topic is *Living Things and Habitats*. This week we started a mind map to record what we already know about this topic, and discussed what we wanted to find out.

We then sorted living things in a range of ways, using different criteria on a range of diagrams.

Accelerated Reader:

This week, children took their STAR test for Accelerated Reader. This gave them a 'reading range', so that they now know the level of book to take home for reading.

The reading range is written in your child's reading diary. Please remember that you can go to the library after school and you will be able to find books within your child's reading range.

If you need help with this, please ask a member of the Year 4 team.

Homework:

Homework will be given out on Friday. Children will hand in their completed homework on Thursday. Homework club is on Thursday lunchtime in Shakespeare class, if your child would like additional support. Topic and science are optional. **Reading, spellings, times tables and Athletics are compulsory every week. Reading needs to be for 30 minutes every day. Please practise spelling and times tables at least three times a week.**

Reading:

Reading is the most important way to support your child at home.

When you read with your child, please sign their diary and write in the page numbers that they have read. You can also put in a comment about how they have read. Thank you. Year 4 Team