Primary 4 Class Newsletter

Term 2 2023

Something I learned last term was...

- Lewis- 'I learned that you can tell a tsunami is coming with a satellite in the sky, in space'
- Callum- 'I learned that I can tell if there is an earthquake coming because of a Richter scale'
- Elliott- 'I learned about emotions and how to deal with them'.
- Ross-'I learned how volcanoes are made and how they erupt'.
- Jai-' I learned how to use the split strategy'.
- Myles-'I learned more about the Mr Fox book'.
- Georgie- 'I learned how to use Sumdog'.
- Olivia- 'I learned all about Earth's core'
- Alli- 'We recapped our adding'.

Our Term 2 Focus

LITERACY- This term we are going to move our focus in writing towards a more narrative style of writing. Where the purpose changes from informing the reader, to entertaining the reader. The children have been enjoying this style as they create their own imaginative story. Spelling will continue from the Jolly Phonics programme, as will grammar with Mrs Gratton on a Thurs.

NUMERACY- Following on from last term, we are going to continue looking at strategies for structuring addition and subtraction. We have covered doubles, near doubles and split strategies. Moving on, we will look at other strategies that help support addition and subtraction.





TOPIC -Our new topic this term is space and forces. We have begun by looking at our solar system and the planets that make this up. Time will be spent looking at forces that exist within earth and out with, such as gravity. Children also asked some big questions during our initial topic discussions such as 'How were the planets made?'- Ross. Hopefully, we will cover some ideas around this.

READING FOCUS



Our class novel this term is related to our topic of space and forces. In our book vote, 'The accidental time traveller' proved most popular and will be read over the coming term.

In terms of levelled reading, children will continue to develop the reciprocal reading roles.

IMPORTANT TO KNOW

P.E. days remain the same, Tues and Fri. We tend to have P.E. on a Fri morning now because of school show events in the afternoon. We (as part of P3-P5) are taking part in the larger show this year and the children have already show a lot of enthusiasm for this. All children who wanted a part received one, and any children who decided they would like added in as a smaller part, can also do this. Part of preparations will involve trips to the academy hall, which involves a short walk. Can I ask that children bring a jacket on days we are walking across please and we were caught out yesterday with the lovely Scottish weather! Thurs-

day continues to be taken by Mrs Gratton.

Sat 25th Nov—Parent Council Christmas Fayre
8th Dec—Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner
19th Dec—School Show 10 am and 6:30 pm at academy
21st Dec morning—P4, P5 and p6 party
21st Dec Movie Afternoon in school