

# Year 4 Newsletter 12<sup>th</sup> January 2024

Dear Parents,

There will be no Woodland Learning next Thursday, as there are some issues with broken trees from the recent storms. These are being dealt with next week and so we have re-scheduled our session to Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January.

In maths this week, the children have been learning how to find factors and factor pairs of a variety of different numbers. They understand what the factors and the product are in a multiplication number sentence. Later in the week, the children began to think about multiplying numbers (past 12) by 10. They started to become familiar with how to use a place value grid to do this.

Our class reader 'The Iron Man' by Ted Hughes, has really captured the children's imaginations this week. They devised a menu that would captivate his taste buds and had fun creating some weird and wonderful concoctions. The children were focusing on using alliteration to make their menu fun. After reading about a space-bat-angel-dragon who comes down to earth and gets into a challenge with the Iron Man, the children wrote news reports with the intention of performing them to the class. The children have been focusing on keeping their hand-writing neat this week, as well as ensuring that basic punctuation such as full stops and question marks are being used correctly.

In Art on Wednesday afternoon, the children created a picture of The Iron Man standing on the brink of the cliff. They used brightly coloured tissue paper to make a dramatic background and black sugar paper to complete a silhouette of the cliff and the Iron Man.

Some of the children have expressed an interest in making an Iron Man to bring in for a show and tell session. If they want to do this as a project over this term, that would be great, but please don't feel like they have to, as next week they will have some maths home learning to complete. This will give them an opportunity to show you the multiplication they have been doing in class.

Thanks,

**Mrs Ward and Mrs Phillips**

**(18 Spellings)** – quarter, question, recent, regular, remember, sentence, separate, special, straight, strange, strength, suppose, woman, women, therefore, though, thought, through

**(7 Spellings)** – does, has, who, every, think, went, want