

Dear Parents,

Welcome to your first Year 4 newsletter!

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Spellings reminder for 15/9 test

Caught, naughty, taught, daughter, autumn, clause, cause, astronaut, applaud, author.

7 spellings:

There, they're, their, where, wear, off, of.

It has been lovely getting to know your children this week and they are beginning to get into a great routine. Even with the sweltering weather, the children have coped well with lessons and been very enthusiastic. I look forward to continuing to get to know them more and having a wonderful term 1.

In maths this week, the children have been re-capping place value from Year 3 and moving onto Year 4 partitioning numbers up to 1000. We also played a variety of times tables games this week, as tables are very important and will be used regularly as the children move forward in KS2. At the end of the week, the children were representing numbers up to either 100 or 1000 on a variety of different number lines.

English was great this week; the children are enjoying delving into the story of 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' in more detail. At the start of the week, they made a describing word (adjective) word mat to support writing a paragraph to describe Charlie Bucket. After this, the children created their own character to add to the story and join the other five children to visit the Chocolate Factory. I have been impressed by their creativity!

Science this term is looking at states of matter and the children gained a good understanding of particles and how they move in a solid, liquid or a gas.

In PE, the children are learning Tag Rugby skills and played a selection of attacking and defending games. Due to the heat on Friday afternoon, the children had a dance session in the hall.

It would be great if the children could create a project in any format they wish to about an area of ancient Rome that interests them the most. Over the years, we have had power points, videos, fact files and pictures. These can be on anything from what the Romans ate, to how the Colosseum was built. The children can take a couple of weeks to complete their project and it would be great to have any finished projects by the end of September for them to show and tell in class. We have also had children making biscuit or cardboard Colosseums. These are usually fun to make and the children enjoy bringing them in during History lessons.

Our first Woodland learning session will be on Wednesday 20th September and then again on Thursday 12th October.

Have a great weekend,

Mrs Ward