

# Year 4 Newsletter 13th October 2023

Dear Parents,

Woodland learning was great fun this week! To start, the children were put into mixed Years 3 and 4 teams to capture a flag from dens that they had built. They worked very well together in their teams and the staff were equally impressed with the children's creativity during free play time.

In maths this week, the children continued to develop their subtraction written methods. They started off with 2-digit numbers, then moved onto 3,4 and 5-digit numbers in some cases. At the end of the week, all of the children were looking at word problems and how to solve them; they had to think carefully about the important information in the sentences and then choose the correct operation.

English this week, focused on the story of Romulus and Remus. The children used a variety of resources to help them to write a description of the twin brothers, describing their personality and appearance. After this, they wrote a recount of events from the opinion of the shepherd who had raised the twins. It was also an opportunity for the children to gain an understanding of the differences between a myth and a legend.

In science this week, the children took their understanding of materials and how they can change their state to another level, focusing on reversible changes. I demonstrated (due to the investigations involving boiling water) how water can change from a liquid to a gas and back again. This will lead the children's learning onto the water cycle and understanding how rain is produced.

This term, the children have learnt how to play Tag Rugby; they have all been thoroughly engaged and enjoyed learning the skills in a variety of fun games. This culminated in the children playing a basic level match this week and demonstrated how they are beginning to understand the rules. When the weather means that we are in the hall for PE, the children are listening to a piece of music called 'The Carnival of the Animals' and completing routines as if they are one of the animals in the music.

We are looking forward to the team building day on Monday and hope that the children will get a lot out of it. They are allowed to wear their own clothes, as we are hoping to be very active all day and use the grounds as much as possible. The children will be eating at the usual time, so their normal lunch routine will be followed.

Thanks,

**Mrs Ward and Mrs Phillips**

10: Division, invasion, confusion, decision, collision, television, revision, erosion, inclusion, explosion.

7: thought, fought, taught, caught, through, threw, though.

