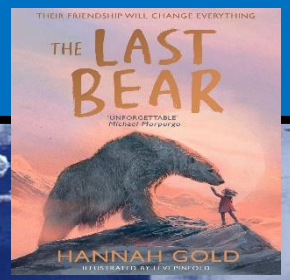
Year 4 Newsletter - Autumn 2

Arctic Adventures!

Reading

For the first week of Autumn 2, Year 4 will be exploring non-fiction texts, with the Arctic being our focus during this time. The children will then move onto studying and exploring the themes and language choices used in 'The Last Bear' for the rest of the half term. We will end the term with a poetry study.

Remember to continue reading at home every day in order to collect your golden tickets ready for the draw at the end of the term!



Home Learning

Home learning will be given out on a Monday and handed in the following Monday.

Maths - TTRS - Complete the set challenges each week.

Spellings - Children will be tested on these every Monday.

Reading - Children are expected to read daily at home.



PE DAYS

Children should continue to come to school on **Monday and Thursday** dressed in P.E. kit. Monday will be outside, so dress for colder weather. Our units next half term will be Dance and Netball.

Writing

We will be writing a non-chronological report about the amazing animals that an explorer may find in the Arctic. We will spend time focusing on the different elements of a non-fiction page and then choose an animal we are interested in to write about in more detail. The Polar Express will be our narrative writing theme in the lead up to Christmas.

Topic - Arctic Adventures!

This Geography-led topic focuses on the Arctic, as well as an in-depth study of Svalbard, a Norwegian archipelago in the Arctic Ocean. This will present children with the opportunity to discover a range of human and physical geographical concepts when comparing it to Romsey, as well as learning what life is really like in the snow!

In Science, we will be learning about electrical circuits and how to make a bulb or motor work within a series circuit. We will use our knowledge to create a light up Christmas decoration in DT.

In PSHE, we will be learning to Celebrate Differences - celebrating everyone within our school community.

In Computing, we will be continuing our journey through programming, using Scratch to create a range of indifferent loops.





Maths

After focusing on number and place value as well as the four operations last half term, children will now have the opportunity to apply their learning to a range of different mathematical concepts including fractions, geometry and measure.

We are really pleased with the progress that the children are making with their times tables, and ask that regular practice at home can continue. This will have a particular benefit within our fractions learning, as the two are intrinsically linked!

Monday 2nd November: First Day of Term
Tuesday 10th November - PTA Discos
Friday 13th November: Children in Need
16th - 20th November: Anti-bullying Week
Monday 16th November: Odd Socks Day
Friday 4th December: PTA Christmas Fayre
Thursday 10th December: Carol Concert - 3:30pm
Friday 11th December: Christmas Jumper Day
Tuesday 15th December: Listen2Me concert - 2:45pm
Friday 18th December: Last day of term