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Hello everyone. I hope you all had an enjoyable half term - I can't believe how quickly time is flying and we are already in last summer term! At the start of this week, I was on the Y6 Residential in Whitby. On Monday, the children had an enjoyable day with Partake where they immersed themselves in the historical events of Ancient Civilisation. They had a great day and were very excited to recall the activities they did such as dressing up as Ancient Egyptians and participating in role play! Next week, I will be on the Y4 Residential to Duke's Barn (Monday - Wednesday). Miss Brownley will have the class for these days and the children will take part in a variety of fun activities.

Here is what we have been learning the past two weeks:

- In English we have started our new topic of 'Villains and Character Flaws'. This week, we have thought about villains we know from books or films and thought about describing them, using writing banks to focus on character flaws. The children did some excellent character description work with Mr Murphy on Wednesday which focused on a narrative of meeting a villain.
- The children have been doing some fantastic learning in Maths in our topic of Time. At the start of the topic, we looked at telling to the time to the nearest 5 minutes, we have now progressed onto calculating the duration of an activity using start and end times. One of our favourite methods was using a timeline and add on the number of minutes an activity took. I have encouraged the children to practice telling the time to the nearest 5 minutes wherever and whenever they can. This week, we started our new topic on Shape. This week, we have learnt about different angles, such as a right angle, obtuse angle and acute angle. We continue to have daily arithmetic sessions which will focus on multiplication, division, addition, and subtraction. We have worked hard at confidently recalling our 3s, 4s and 8s so any practice of these at home is great - we have enjoyed listening to X-tables song on Youtube so if you ever fancy a sing along they can be found on there!
- The children are continuing to build on previous knowledge in Science in our 'Electrical circuits and conductors' topic. This week we used our independent research skills to effectively search for questions about 'incandescent lightbulbs' such as 'Who invented the incandescent lightbulb?' and 'How do Incascadent lightbulbs affect the environment?'.
- In RE, we are beginning to explore the question 'How do Hindu families practise their faith?' This week, we thought about what is special to us, the hobbies we enjoy and things we like. We then looked at two children from a Hindu faith and discussed the question 'What is special to children in a Hindu faith?'
- In Art we started a new topic of 'Statues, statuettes and figurines.' We began by looking at a famous artists and their work, we then looked at examples in our World such as the 'Statue of Liberty' and 'Christ the Redeemer'. Utilising our sketching skills, we practiced drawing

these and annotating with answers to questions such as 'What time period is this from?' 'What material are Statues made from and why?' 'Where would you find this?' 'How do you know this is a Statue, statuette or figurine?'

Homework

This week, the children have a spelling sheet to complete. This focuses on some common mistakes children can make when spelling and challenging them to correct the mistakes that have been made.

Reading

It is great to see reading diaries filling up. Remember to sign the reads either in the reading section at the front of your child's diary or within the week.

Spelling

I have given out a list of spelling words for this week for children to learn, taken from the statutory spelling list. If you could have a look at these over the next week so children are confident in spelling them.

Key dates for your diaries are available on the Headteacher Newsletter and the weekly newsletter at a glance: Weekly Newsletters 2023/2024 | St. Peter's C of E Academy

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Thank you. Have a great weekend - hopefully the weather will improve!

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