

Year 3 and 4 ~ Miss Smith ~ 18th September 2020



What another great week we have had. The children have all worked really hard and the new routines are already second nature, even the soap train takes less than three minutes now!



Our Topics this week

English : Diary writing, prepositions and word groups

Maths : Place Value to 999 for Year 3 and 10,000 for Year 4

Topic: Science - Investigating Rocks, Music - Mamma Mia, ICT - Word processing

English

This week we have continued to read The Firework Maker's Daughter and have written diary entries as if we were Lila. The children have worked hard on these and have today used the laptops to type up their draft copies whilst making amendments and improvements along the way. As part of our grammar sessions we have been learning/revising conjunctions, adverbs and prepositions. I have been challenging the children to use more exciting vocabulary and the children came up with some super sentences to describe myself and other members of the class.

In Spelling, we have been looking at suffixes and prefixes this week and how they can change the meaning of a word. Ask your child to see if they can remember which ones we have been learning about.

Maths

This week we have continued with our work on place value and have extended the learning to involve numbers up to 999 for Year 3 and beyond 10, 000 for Year 4. The children have used a number of methods to partition different numbers, including base 10, part-whole method and using place value cards. We have also worked on adding and taking away multiples of 10, 100 and 1000 even when the number has not started from zero.

Towards the end of the week we focused on word problems and using our knowledge of the value of each digit to solve a range of problems.

In maths, next week we will be making times table fortune tellers so I am sure the children will want to show you how to make and use these at home.

Don't forget to keep practising the times tables at home.

Reading at home

Well done to all the children who have made a super start on the reading challenge. I have counted this weeks reads this morning and some children are well on their way to earning their Bronze certificate!

Reading certificates will be given as follows;



Bronze - 25 reads, Silver - 50 reads, Gold - 100 reads.

Homework

I have had some children ask about homework. At present we are not setting homework but I am reminding the children of the importance of reading at home. If you would like to do work at home with your child please support them with learning to spell the words on their Statutory Word list or with their times tables.

Our PE days for this half term will be a Wednesday and a Friday. It is important that the children wear the correct kit on these days please. Hoodies and zip up jackets are not appropriate, school jumpers and cardigans must be worn instead.

Concerns/Questions

If you or your child has any concerns please feel to contact me on my class email smith34@st-peters.notts.sch.uk Any urgent enquiries should be directed to the school office.

I hope you manage to enjoy some of the sunshine this weekend!

*Take Care
Miss Smith x*