

Class 4E Newsletter

Welcome to 4E and our new school year. I hope you have had an enjoyable summer. My name is Mrs Etchells and I will be your child's class teacher for this academic year. I am really looking forward to working with you and your child over the coming months and hope that your child enjoys their time in Year 4.

VICTORIAN LIFE

In English this half term, we will be studying 'Street Child' which is related to our history topic of Victorians.

We will be finding out about the life of a poor Victorian child and his experiences!

There will also be an emphasis on spellings, grammar, punctuation and handwriting in all our work.

SPaG



THINK OF A NUMBER

Place value is important in mathematics and we will start the year revising this and rounding numbers. The children will also investigate negative numbers and revise and extend their knowledge of Roman numbers. The children will solve problems involving reasoning.

VILE VICTORIANS

In history, we will be finding out about the Victorians and looking at their influence on Ashton.

We are hoping to arrange a visit to the local museum at Portland Basin, to help us with our history and geography work.

The local area will be used to explore how the Victorians developed Ashton.



Printing and canals.

In art, the children will use their skills to create designs based on William Morris' work and also find out and create canal art.

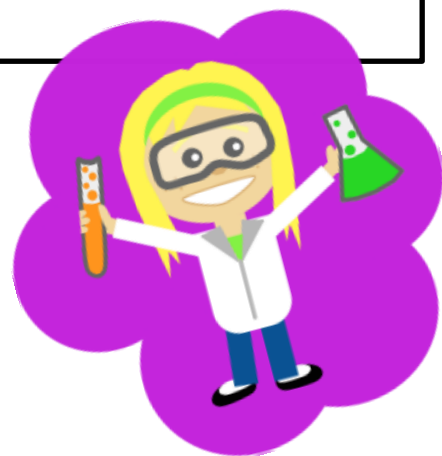


SUPER SCIENTISTS

I look forward to the children developing their scientific skills in our work on teeth and food chains. The children will have opportunities to plan, predict, observe carefully and record their ideas in various investigations. Numeracy and literacy skills will be used in creating graphs, measuring carefully and explaining in detail.

RE

In this area we will be looking at why some people think life is a journey and the various rituals and ceremonies that are celebrated in different religions.



WEEKLY ROUTINES

PE - This takes place every **WEDNESDAY**. PE kits should be in school every Monday morning.

HOMEWORK – This is given on Fridays and should be completed and returned to school by the following **WEDNESDAY**.

SPELLINGS – These are given on **MONDAY** and need to be learnt for the following week. The children need to practice these at home and choose 5 of the spellings to write into sentences.

READING – Reading books need to be read regularly. The children also have the opportunity to choose a library book from the school library each week. Spot checks are made on reading records.

Computing

In computing the children will be following a touch typing programme to develop and improve their typing skills.

They will also create a power point presentation, learning how to change the slide design and add text, picture



Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs A. Etchells