

# Class 4E Newsletter

Hoping you have had a restful holiday and wishing you a Happy, Healthy and Peaceful New Year. There are a lot of exciting and interesting activities being planned for all the children in Year 4 this Spring term.

## **KNIGHTS AND CASTLES**

Our English this half term starts with work on castles and knights. We will be researching various aspects including the code of chivalry. From this we will create a job advertisement for a knight and read about the legend of King Arthur.

We will continue to learn and practise our grammar with an emphasis on organising work into paragraphs and verb tenses.

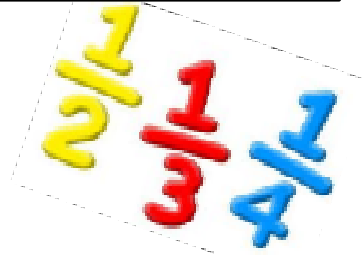
The weekly spelling tests will continue and there will be an interclass spelling bee later in the term.

## **Time for more multiplying and dividing.**

We start the term with work on multiplying 3 numbers and investigating factor pairs. There is still an emphasis on times tables, and these will also be important when we start to work on fractions and division. Finding out how to calculate the area of shapes will also be taught.

## **All about Italy.**

During geography lessons, the children will be finding out about Italy – its regions and weather to start with. They will use maps, atlases and the internet to discover about aspects of this country.



## **POINTILLISM**

In art, the children will be finding out about Pointillism and creating pictures in this particular style.

They will also be creating illuminated letters, connected to our work on knights.



# STATES OF MATTER!

During the term, the children will be finding out about materials and compare and group them together depending on whether they are solids, liquids or gases. They will investigate how some materials change when they are heated or cooled. Evaporation and condensation will also be investigated and their part in the water cycle.

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In this area we will be looking at Hinduism and its aspects, including Mahatma Ghandi. We will look at what it is like to be a Hindu in Britain today.



## WEEKLY ROUTINES

**SWIMMING** . This will take place every Friday morning .Please ensure that if your child wears earrings, they are taken out or that they have a swimming hat to cover them. **PLEASE ENSURE ALL YOUR CHILD'S CLOTHING IS NAMED.**

**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.

**READING** – Reading books need to be read regularly, at least once a week. The children also have the opportunity to choose a library book from the school and class library each week.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**SWIMMING LESSONS-**  
Every Friday morning.  
Earrings should be taken out **OR** a swimming hat worn.

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2020-** Anglo Saxon day at Tatton Park – Details to follow later in the term.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs A. Etchells