Chapelford Village Primary School Year 4 Newsletter Autumn Term 2





Well done Year 4!

Well done for Autumn 1 and such a fantastic start to Year 4. You have all been superstars and have made your teachers very proud!

Your Year 4 teachers are:

Class 13 - Miss Stebbings

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Dates for the diary:

W.B. 14th November – Anti – Bullying Week

W.B. 12th December – Christmas disco week

Wednesday 21st December – Christmas party day and celebrations in class

Every week for this term, the children will be continuing with their Samba drumming lessons! Information about their performance will be shared soon.

Homework

Homework will be set on a Friday and the expectation for this is that it is returned to school by Thursday the following week. The children will have a mixture of paper based and online activities. If your child does not have access to a device, please let your class teacher know and they will be happy to help. The children will have one maths homework, including times tables practise and a fortnightly comprehension homework. The children will be given 5 words to practise and learn at home as well as a spelling investigation. We expect the children to read at least 5 times a week. We ask that an adult sign the reading record and for it to be in school by Friday. The children who read 5 times a week will be entered into the reading raffle to win a prize!

<u>P.E.</u>

Each week, children will take part in two P.E. lessons. Please ensure your child's P.E. kit is left in school for the half term. Children must bring their P.E. kit in a drawstring gym back and have a white t-shirt, blue/black P.E. shorts and black pumps.

General reminders

Children must wear flat, black shoes. If the weather is wet or cold and your child has worn boots or wellies to walk to school with, please ensure that they have black shoes to change into at school. Trainers must not be worn.

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English

Class text: Leon and the Place Between by Graham Baker-Smith

The children will be writing a recount, in the form of Leon's secret diary about what really happened in 'the place between'. They will be building on prior knowledge of expanded noun phrases and conjunctions and will also be indicating possession by using the possessive apostrophe with plural nouns.

Class text: The One and Only Ivan by Catherine Applegate

The children will be writing a persuasive letter in the form of a formal latter. They will also have additional writing opportunities throughout, including setting descriptions and diary entries.

Maths

This half term the children will be learning about multiplication and division. They will begin by doing this mentally and then will learn the written method for multiplication and division.

Science

In science, our topic is 'Living things and their habitats'. Children will group living things in different ways and explore classification keys. They will also recap their prior knowledge on what makes an organism living using MRS GREN to support them.

PΕ

The children will be developing their dynamic balancing and coordination skills. They will also be completing dance lessons.

RE – Christianity God

Children will explore the question: How and why might Christians use the Bible?

Design Technology

We will be continuing to explore Electrical Systems and how to make simple circuits and switches.

MFL – French

The children will be learning about discussing their local area and Christmas in French.

Art

This term the children will be developing their painting skills and using Georgia O'Keeffe as inspiration for their art work.

History

The children will continue learning about Britain's settlement from the Anglo-Saxons and Scots.

Geography

The children will be learning about rivers in geography this half term.

Computing

The children will be learning how to stay safe online as well as exploring creativity with technology.

Music

This term, we have a special visitor in school to teach the children Samba drumming. In these lessons, children will explore different instruments and use musical vocabulary.

PSHE The children will be learning about respecting similarities and differences in people. They will be considering their identity and personal attributes and qualities and will learn about the importance of individuality and challenging stereotypes an assumptions.