

Wisdom

Compassion

Trust

Fellowship

Peace

This week in Year 4

Monday 11th September 2023

English:

This week we will continue with our Poetry unit (Imagery). Last week the children listened to poems by Roger McGough and then wrote their own stanza, the children included some very interesting similes and metaphors. This week we will read another poem by Roger McGough (Elephant) and focus on including powerful verbs, also writing sentences using adjectives to extend noun-phrases.

Spellings:

We will have a spelling lesson this week, where I will introduce the spelling words to learn for next week's spelling test (18.09.23). The focus will be words with /aw/ spelt 'augh' and 'au'; caught, naughty, taught, daughter, autumn, clause, cause, astronaut, applaud and author. Spelling tests will be every Monday. Spelling words for the term will be sent out on Wednesday (13.09.23) along with your child's homework.

Maths:

Last week we started our first unit, 'Place Value'. The children learned how to represent numbers to 1,000 in Year 3 – a concept that we reinforced to ensure they now have a sound understanding. This week we will focus on recognising the place value of each digit in a 4-digit number (thousands, hundreds, tens and ones) and Identify, represent and estimate numbers using different representations. We will also focus on finding 1,000 more/less than a given number.

Homework:

Homework will be sent out on Wednesdays and needs to be returned to school by the following Monday. I have spoken to the children about this and have suggested ways in which they can organise their time to ensure their homework is handed in on time. This week's homework will include an English activity, a Mathematics activity and Spelling homework. There will be further information given with regards to your child's homework on Wednesday.

Other Matters:

- Our class book for this term is, 'Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone' by J.K Rowling. If your child would like to bring in the book, that would be great.
- The children will have their PE lesson on Wednesdays and Fridays, they will need to remember to bring their PE kit in on those days.
- Please encourage your child to read daily at home and sign their reading record, I have informed the children that I will be checking their reading records every Friday.
- Please encourage your child to access TTRS at least three times a week.
- My email address is <u>h.salem@tssfirst.co.uk</u> should you need to contact me.