Compassion Trust Wisdom Fellowship Friendship Peace
This week in Year 4

## Monday $8^{\text {th }}$ January 2024

## English:

This week we will start our new unit, 'Myths and Legends' with a focus on legends of the sea. In this unit your child will listen to mythical stories of selkies and mermaids. They will then use captivating mythical stories of selkies and mermaids to write their own sea myths. We will focus on writing in paragraphs and punctuating dialogue in the correct way. We will be reading Selkie by Gillian McClure this week.

## Spellings:

The focus this week is Homophones \& Near Homophones; accept, except, affect, effect, aloud, allowed, weather, whether, whose, and who's. Year 4's spelling test will be on Monday $15^{\text {th }}$ January 2024. If your child has returned home with a different spelling list, please focus on those words and not the ones mentioned above.

## Maths:

This week we will complete our, 'Multiplication and Division' unit. Children apply their knowledge of division and explore what happens to a number when they divide it by 1 or itself. Next, the children apply their knowledge of multiplication to multiply three numbers together. Children are introduced to factors for the first time. They learn that when they multiply two whole numbers to give a product, both the numbers that they multiplied together are factors of the product. For example, $3 \times 5=15$, so 3 and 5 are factors of 15 .

## 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, and a Mathematics activity. There will be further information given with regards to your child's homework on Wednesday.

## Other Matters:

- We have two more swimming lessons; Wednesday $10^{\text {th }}$ January and Wednesday $17^{\text {th }}$ January.
- The children voted to read, 'The Last Bear' written by Hannah Gold. We will start reading it in class from Monday $8^{\text {th }}$ January 2023. Please encourage your child to finish reading their Harry Potter book at home, if they haven't finished reading it.
- The children will have their PE lesson on Tuesdays 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 h.salem@tssfirst.co.uk should you need to contact me.

