



Compassion

Trust

Wisdom

Fellowship

Friendship

Peace

## This week in Year 4

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2024**

### **English:**

Last week we started our 'Performance Poetry' unit. The children were great at creating memory frames, and then reciting their poems using the memory frames. This week we will continue with this unit, the children will read and discuss performance poetry including poetry terms, write poetry lines following a pattern, and finally analyse and evaluate poems.

### **Spellings:**

This week we will focus on words that add the prefix anti- (meaning 'against'); antiseptic, anticlockwise, antisocial, antidote, antibiotic, antivenom, anti-ageing, antifreeze, antiperspirant, and antigravity.

These spellings can be found in your child's homework folder. The children will be tested on Monday (22.04.24). 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 start our new unit, 'Shape'. Children will learn to understand to recognise angles as a property of shape or a description of a turn. We will then compare and classify geometric shapes, including quadrilaterals and triangles, based on their properties and sizes. Things to look out for; Children may think that shapes with "curved corners" are triangles; Children may not identify triangles in different orientations, for example "upside-down" triangles; Children may find it hard to sketch equilateral/isosceles triangles before they have learnt how to use a protractor.

### **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 is a big focus on the children learning their times tables this term, please encourage your child to go onto times tables rock stars as often as possible; <https://trockstars.com/>

### **Other Matters:**

- Please return the medical consent form by next Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2024.
- The children voted to read, 'The Blunders' written by David Walliams. This is our class book for this half term that we will read at the end of the school day.
- 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 [h.salem@tssfirs.co.uk](mailto:h.salem@tssfirs.co.uk) should you need to contact me.