

## MATHS

## Our Core Subject Learning Focuses

**THIS WEEK:** After a long Easter break, we are revisiting our addition and subtraction skills. We will be practicing our written and mental methods at the start of the week as well as answering a range of questions that involve both addition and subtraction. We will end the week by calculating word problems – mainly two or three step problems that require a combination of addition and subtraction to solve.

## ENGLISH

**THIS WEEK:** With PGL coming up and an assessment week, this half term will be a little disjointed. Therefore, we will not be conducting a 'Pie Corbett Talk for Writing' unit. Instead, we will look to cover several smaller units of work that require different writing skills. This week, we will be writing to persuade. Mr. Finch is going announce that after PGL, Golden Time will no longer be a part of the Year 4 timetable (don't worry folks, it will still continue really – please don't tell the children though!) and they will need to write a speech/letter/email to persuade him to change his mind. We will be learning about rhetorical devices by creating an advert for a product before transferring these skills into written sentences.

## READING

**THIS WEEK:** We will be starting a new stimulus for our Reading Skills: Charlotte's Web. We will be spending the week exploring the story and learning about the characters and setting. We will make predictions about the text to start with and justify them with evidence.

## IPC

**THIS WEEK:** We will be starting our new IPC topic: Paintings, Pictures and Photographs. The focus obviously being on Art. We will start this unit, as usual with a Knowledge Harvest – finding out what the children already know, what they think they know and what they would like to find out.

## SCIENCE

**THIS WEEK:** We will be starting our new unit: Animals including Humans. The unit focusses on the digestive systems as well as food chains. Similarly to IPC, we will start with a Knowledge Harvest.

## ICT

**THIS WEEK:** We will be starting our new unit with Microsoft Access and creating databases.

### Personal Items and Swapping

Some pupils are bringing in personal items into school and continuing to swap them during the school day – which has lead to some fall outs. Please encourage the children to only bring in personal items if it is completely necessary and remind them that swapping is not allowed in school. Thank you.

**FRIDAY** – Homework set

**MONDAY** – Spelling sentences, homework diaries and Reading Records due.

**TUESDAY** – New spellings set.

**WEDNESDAY** – Homework due



**PGL - 2<sup>nd</sup> May – 5<sup>th</sup> May 2017**



Next half term there will be a meeting for all parent helpers ahead of our trip. This will be confirmed after Easter. Please start assembling kit and medication for the trip as soon as possible. Thank you.

### Start of the Summer Term 18.04.17

Please note that the Summer Term will start on **Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2017** as the Monday is a Bank Holiday.

**The Year 4 Team wish you and your family a restful and enjoyable break.**



This week's stars of the week are **Nathan M** and **Phoebe W**. Both of our Stars of the Week have been working very hard recently. They have impressed their teachers with their focus and effort in class and their work is improving each lesson. Congratulations!