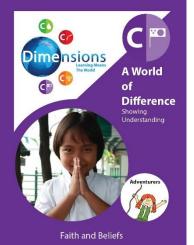
Class 4 Curriculum Update

October 2021

October's Values: Appreciation and care





Year 4 have really enjoyed their first theme and learnt a lot about different religions. It has been amazing to see the depth of knowledge that they have shown comparing the different religions but also the level of understanding that they have shown about the diversity of beliefs and faiths around the world.

The children really enjoyed our recent PGL residential and it was great to give them the opportunity to do something they have not done before. Their manners, behaviour and the values of resilience and determination they demonstrated were great to see, as well as many smiles. There is a collection of some of the photos below, however there are a lot more on the website to enjoy. As well, as lots of other photographs of the children's learning to enjoy. So, if you have not done so then please go and have a look.

At the beginning of next half term the next mini theme we will be doing is called 'Rocky the Findosaur', where we will be learning about rocks, fossils and the role of a palaeontologist.



Homework is important for practising, applying and consolidating the learning skills the children develop in school. Spelling Shed and TTRockstars (times tables practice) are expected to do be done daily and more than one game too. The spellings are changed weekly so it is important the children access them weekly. In the Spring Term, the children should be taking their times tables test, as part of a nationwide test and will answer the questions on a computer, so TTRockstars is great practice for this. The children expected to know up to 12×12 , in under 3 seconds. We have been practising the time tables in school regularly as well and through around the world, which the children love to play. If the children need their tables written down on paper while playing then that is absolutely fine. Tables have been set most weeks but when they are not TTRockstars tailors the game for the child. Especially if they play in the garage section.











Reading

A book can take us anywhere: to another city, to a different country, or even to an alternative world. By reading a book, a child learns about people, places, and events that they could not learn otherwise. This gives children a deeper understanding of the world around them and cultures that are different from their own. We are listening to all children read 1:1 in school on different days so it is important that the children have their reading record and book every day. The children will also be choosing a book to have on their table each day for paired reading as well. It is your responsibility to read up to 15/20 minutes per day with your child. This is important so you can notice fluency and the use of punctuation. The children are having a weekly reading focus for their comprehension and have many opportunities to read in other areas of the curriculum.

Encore Enterprise - Music lessons

The children each have a clarinet in school (so does Mr Freeman and Mr Brown) and are having weekly sessions. These will continue until the end of Year 4. Ma be we will be able to have a performance for you by then. Photos are on the class page and I will put up some videos when I can on Madley TV.







As last year, if you have any questions or concerns please email the office and I will get in touch with you as soon as I can. Mr Freeman, Mrs Richards and Mrs Brown.