



Year 4 Homework Letter - Friday 20th September 2019

Our Learning This Week

English

In English we are studying our first text of Year 4; 'FAROTHER' by Grahame Baker-Smith, a beautiful picture book which tells the story of a father who wants to fly. As part of their work this week the children worked in pairs to orally re-tell the story including all of its key moments. Their retelling needed to be detailed and coherent; I was most impressed by the childrens' ability to do this. Following on from this work the children were required to create thought tracking statements for each of the characters to show what they were thinking at the moment the father left to go to war. The performances the children created were most sensitive and thoughtful. The week finished with the children writing a diary entry in-role as the father expressing his feelings about leaving his family behind in order to go to war. The grammar focus this week has been on using multi-clause sentences in our writing.

Maths

This week in Maths we have focused on place value and decimals. The children now have a sound understanding of tenths and are developing their confidence in their understanding of hundredths. We have focused on partitioning numbers with decimals, rounding numbers with decimals to the nearest whole number and comparing and ordering numbers with decimals. This work has been a challenge for the children and I am so proud of them for the super progress they have made in this area of Maths.

R.E

This week we have started our new topic for this half term. Exploring the question 'What does it mean to be a Hindu?' we considered the role of the family in the Hindu culture and related it to our own understanding and experience of family. Once the children had made lists of the names of the members of their immediate and extended family they set about creating an artistic family tree. Creating a tree using an arm and handprint and fingerprint leaves, the children wrote the names of their family around their art work.

Homework

This week's English activities are to learn the spellings for Week 2 and to complete the postcard activity set on Purple Mash. For Maths the children must practise their 6 times table and complete the quiz which has been set on Purple Mash. There will be a spelling and times table test next Thursday. I hope your child is enjoying using Purple Mash as part of their homework.

Love Project - Renewed Hope Trust (Winter Night Shelter)

Year 4 are collecting tins of fruit and ready-made custard. Please bring any items to class in the run up to our church Harvest Service.

Dates for your Diary

- 4.10.19 - Governors' quiz night - 7.30 - 9pm
- 7.10.19 - INSET DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED
- 11.10.19 - Harvest Service - Christ Church - 1.30 pm
- 14.10.19 - PTFA Bags 2 School & Cinema Night 3.15 - 5.15pm.
- 22.10.19 - Nasal Flu Spray