



Class Newsletter

Year 4

Spring 2024

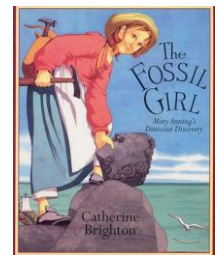


Staff working in Year 4

Teachers: Mr Wilde

Maths: During our Maths lessons, we will be learning a variety of methods to solve multiplication and division calculations. We will be using factor pairs and starting to solve 3 digits by 1-digit problems using short multiplication. Furthermore, the children will be solving problems where they will need to find the length and the perimeter of a range of rectilinear shapes.

English: In English, we will be studying the book 'Fossil Girl'. We will be using the book as a model to inspire our own diary entry, letter and recount. We will also be producing a fact file in role as Mary Anning, covering the part she played in significant fossil discoveries. In SPAG, we will be trying to become more confident at using expanded noun phrases in our writing, as well as concentrating on using a subordinate clause correctly.



Project:

Forces & Magnets: In our Science lessons, the children will be comparing how things move on different surfaces. The children will observe how magnets attract or repel each other and attract some materials and not others. We will also be looking at a variety of everyday materials on the basis of whether they are attracted to a magnet, and identify some magnetic materials. We will also be focusing on learning that magnets have two poles.

Volcanoes & Earthquakes: In this project, we will be becoming familiar with key aspects of earthquakes and volcanoes. The children will research different volcanoes and the effects of a volcanic eruption on the surrounding land and how land use has changed over time. The children will also have to demonstrate that they can locate geographical regions and identify human and physical characteristics, as well as topographical features.



PE: Please can all PE Kits be in school throughout the school week. Our PE sessions will take place on a Tuesday and Friday throughout this term. All children are to come to school wearing their PE tops on their PE days. Please can all items be clearly labelled. Please note that most of our PE sessions will be outside so an additional jumper or jogging bottoms for PE during the winter months would be welcomed.



Water bottles: Please can all children bring in a labelled water bottle for them to use throughout their day at school.

Homework: Homework will be set online for both Maths and English. Maths and English homework will be set on alternate weeks but Spellings and Rockstars practise will be set weekly. Homework will be set on a Friday and due on a Wednesday.

Reading: It is expected that children will read at home every day; please encourage children to log this in their planners. Children do not need to read to an adult for each session and independent reading is more that suitable, however there is a joy in sharing a book with a family member, younger sibling or friend so please do encourage this where possible.



Planners/ Messages: Should you need to speak to me, please either write a note in your child's planner or contact the school office, who will either pass the message to me or arrange for me to contact you. Please ensure if you write a note for me in your child's planner, they come into school with it in their hand to guarantee I see the message.