

Year 4 Meerkats



Summer Term Newsletter

June 2024

Welcome back!

We finished the last half term with so much energy. The pupils really embraced our specialist week and took part in every activity with enthusiasm. Taking part in geography fun ensured our specialist week was a great success. It was also great to take the minibus on a local trip to Bradwell Abbey. Pupils and staff all had a wonderful time.

The Curriculum

For our final half-term in Year 4, we will be continuing to explore our Raiders and Traders topic. The pupils have enjoyed learning about the Anglo-Saxons so far and we'll be delving into Viking history in our final lessons.

Our English lessons will begin with stories from other cultures. This unit will allow the children to read a text closely, interrogate the text to deepen understanding, understand how and why authors use figurative and expressive language. We will also plan for writing using planning and problem-solving strategies, explore how to write imaginatively, using language to create atmosphere or suspense, as well as create settings and characters to engage readers' interest. Our final English unit will focus on Poetry, and in particular, poetic Form.

We will be studying geometry, position and movement, as well as Roman numerals in our maths lessons. In science, we will find out about states of matter and

attempting some experiments. We will continue to have percussion lessons on Wednesdays and Forest Schools on Fridays.

Our weekly PE slots for this half term continue on Mondays and Fridays. Additional athletic sessions are also planned for Friday afternoons. Pupils should continue to come to school dressed in appropriate kit. Correct PE kit should consist of a t-shirt, shorts (or jogging bottoms) and footwear. Earrings should be taken out or covered, and hair should be tied back. We are aiming to use our school field as much as possible as the weather warms up!

Homework

As always, homework will be set every Thursday and is expected to be completed and returned to school by the following Tuesday. In addition to the homework that is set, all children should be reading at least three times a week at home and practising the weekly spellings.

Dates for the Diary

Friday 14th June: Dress Down Day for the Euros

Tuesday 18th June: Superhero Day for The Henry Allen Trust

Monday 24th June: Sports Day

Friday 28th June: Dress Down Day - Bring a bottle

Wednesday 3rd July: Summer Fayre

Friday 19th July: End of Summer Term

Monday 22nd and Tuesday 23rd July: INSET Days

Thank you for your continued support. We're looking forward to an excellent final term with the children.

Kind Regards,

Miss Vaughan and Mrs. Hughes