

Year 4

Spellings this week: (TEN)

consider, important, notice, ordinary, peculiar, popular, question, remember, woman, women

(SEVEN)

friends, suddenly, really, stopped, because, please, across

Dear Parents,

The picture above is of some of the children during last Friday's science lesson; they were acting out what happens to the particles in a liquid. The children had such fun with this activity and it really helped them to understand what happens visually.

This week, the children have started their Latin lessons and learnt how to say 'hello' and 'goodbye.' After listening to a very catchy song, the children confidently acted out their greeting in pairs. They also learnt about Hadrian's Wall during their first lesson, which links in nicely with our History and Geography focus for the term.

In maths, the children have been utilising their previous place value learning, to round numbers with up to 4 digits to the nearest multiple of 10. They moved onto rounding to 100 by the end of the week, however when asked to round the same number to the nearest 10 and then 100, they found it a little more challenging. We will be focusing on this more next week.

In English this week, the focus was still on our reading book 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory,' with the children writing a description of what the Chocolate Room was like from one of the character's perspectives. They then moved on to inventing their own chocolate creation and writing a set of instructions on how to make it. The focus during this lesson was on using imperative (bossy) verbs and ensuring the children ensuring that they set out their writing in orderly detail.

This week for home learning, I would like the children to practise their Latin with you. They could also critique a song of their choice for music next week. This week in music, they learnt what instruments could be heard in 'Mamma Mia' by Abba and practised singing the song, thinking about rhythm and tempo. We will select some of their chosen songs and discuss them at the start of the next lesson. As usual, they should please be practising their times tables, reading and using TT Rockstars as home learning too.

With thanks,

Mrs Ward and Mrs Vennart