

# Year 4



Spellings- 10:

cautiously, swiftly, speedily, curiously, dramatically, adventurously, sadly, anxiously, foolishly, seriously.

Spellings – 7:

going, doing, saying, asking, liking, licking, wanting.

Dear Parents,

What a busy first week back we have had. As you will be aware, we had a visit from Ofsted and I would like to take this opportunity to tell you just how amazingly your children represented our wonderful school. All the adults were thoroughly impressed. Thank you, Year 4!

In maths this week, the children looked at one and two step word problems for addition and subtraction. This began with the children learning some important steps to help them to work through a problem in a systematic way, focusing on the important information in the questions. The children do find this challenging with the two step problems and this is why we have spent some time on strategies to support their understanding. Later in the week, the children were working through a mixture of number sentences with missing numbers to find and then moved onto more challenging word problems.

In English, the class decided on a topic (within school) that they wanted to write to Mrs Holditch about. The children decided that they think the pond area could do with a revamp and came up with lots of amazing ideas to support their request. As a class, they decided that the letter would need to be formal and polite, as Mrs Holditch is an important person and in charge of the school. Their letters were really well written and Mrs Holditch is looking forward to reading them.

On Monday, you should have received a letter asking you to provide football boots, socks and shin pads for your child's weekly outdoor PE lesson. The type of football boots with moulded plastic studs will be fine. One parent (very sensibly) asked if it would be possible for the children not to wear their white PE T-

shirts for this (probably rather muddy) lesson. We have decided that it would be a great idea if the children have an indoor/ warm weather PE kit which stays in school as usual - white T-shirt, blue/black shorts and a pair of trainers. They can then have an outdoor kit - football boots, shin pads, football socks, joggers, sweatshirt and any T-shirt/ top. This second kit will only be needed for the outdoor PE lesson - on a Monday in our class- and it will be taken home for washing every week. As stated in the previous letter, if you have any concerns about purchasing the equipment needed do let the school know. I would ideally like the children to be ready for the lesson on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November.

I have asked the children (for home learning this weekend) to complete some research on a topic of their choice, something they are very interested in. They will then plan and write a report about their chosen subject next week in English.

Just a reminder that our Roman day will be on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November. If they want to dress up they can, if they don't want to then they must be in school uniform please. This does mean we will have to change our Woodland Learning day, I will notify you as soon as I have found another available session.

Have a relaxing week!

With thanks,

Mrs Ward and Mrs Vennart