



Year 4 Learning Note

Friday 11th January 2019

This week... It has been such a pleasure to wish everyone “Happy New Year!” (or bonne année as we learned in French) this week. It is clear that you have all made a New Year’s resolution to work really hard, because we have been so impressed by the learning environment in our first week back.

We began our new topic work on World War Two, by learning about some of the factors that caused it to happen. It was great to see that every member of the class was actively engaged in this discussion and wrote an explanation afterwards. Please make sure that over the next few weeks you take the opportunity to speak to any elderly relatives, friends and neighbours to ask them what it was like living through the war years so that you can share this with the rest of the class.

Mrs Bramley has begun a new area of Science, looking at light and shadows. In English we worked in groups to rehearse and perform aloud Lewis Carroll’s poem ‘The Walrus and The Carpenter’. Whilst in maths, we have been comparing decimal numbers and converting decimal numbers to mixed numbers.

Reading

Reading for pleasure is very important and we would like you to take the opportunity to read whenever you can and to practice reading aloud with expression. Remember to get you parents to sign your reading records if they hear or see you reading.

This week we have been reading:

- Blitz Cat, by Robert Westall (Our new class book, set in Wartime England)
- The Walrus and The Carpenter, by Lewis Carroll

Spellings

Here are the spellings that we have been practising this week. Please continue to practise them at home, ready for the spelling test on Monday.

interest

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knowledge

length

strength

Times Tables

In Magic Ten next week, we will continue to look at our 12 times tables, so if you are not fluent in these, please keep chanting them at home. Keep practising regularly using TT Rockstars too!

Next week... We will be adding and subtracting tenths in our maths lessons. Whilst in English, we will study another of Lewis Carroll’s poems; The Jabberwocky.

Have a wonderful weekend, Mrs Barker, Mrs Brown and Mrs Trounce