



CLASS 4 NEWSLETTER



SPRING TERM 2017



We hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and welcome you back to a new school term.

Topic

This term's topic is 'Great Britain'. We will be thinking about questions such as...

Which is the largest city?

Where is the longest river?

Can we read the symbols on a map?

How many people live here?

Who has made Britain great?



English

Some of our English work will link to our 'Great Britain' theme, for example:

We will write postcards from places in Great Britain describing how we feel; interpret poems by famous British authors; research, plan and write reports on significant British people.



Spellings



Spellings will be given on a Friday and the test will be the following Friday.

P.E.

Please remember to keep both an indoor and an outdoor kit (named) in school every day. We would appreciate it if you could ensure that long hair is tied up and no jewellery worn on P.E. days.

Our P.E. days are Wednesday and Friday.

Reading Books

Please can reading books be kept in the plastic wallets ('reading pack') with the yellow reading record book. They are to be returned to school every day so that letters can be put in when required. Please record in the yellow reading record when you have read with your child. Books cannot be changed unless they have been signed by a parent/guardian. Children will be able to change books on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Ideally, children should be reading every evening - even if it is only a few pages.



Mathematics

In maths, we will be learning about Fractions, Shape and Statistics. We will be using 'Big Maths' at the start of each of our Maths lessons.

We would appreciate your support in helping children to know and recall their times tables. There are lots of fun, interactive games on the internet to assist with learning times tables - for example: www.topmarks.co.uk, www.maths-games.org, www.familylearning.org.uk/multiplication_games.html and www.crickweb.co.uk/ks2numeracy-multiplication.html



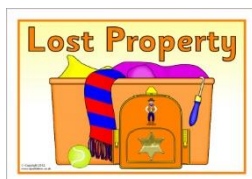
Water Bottles

Please bring a named water bottle into school every day.



Uniform

Please can we politely remind parents that all uniform, coats, shoes etc. should have the name of your child somewhere on them in order that they can be returned quickly and easily.



Science

In Science this term, we will be learning more about materials.

Can we compare and group materials according to if they are solids, liquids or gases?

Do some materials change state when they are heated or cooled? Can we observe these changes?



Homework

We were really impressed with the standard of homework we received last term!

Homework is set on a Friday and is due in the following Wednesday. We try to set a variety of activities covering different aspects of our learning in school. DOJOs will be awarded for completing homework on time.

