Newsletter

Class Blyton and Walliams

Spring Term 2 2025

Curriculum overview

This half term we will be focusing on The Iron Man by Ted Hughes. This narrative follows the unexpected arrival in England of a giant "metal man" from an unknown origin who rains destruction on the countryside by eating industrial farm equipment, before befriending a small boy and defending the world from a dragon from outer space. We will explore how a character develops throughout the story and how his resilience perseveres in the face of adversity. By the end of this unit all children will be completing their own independent narrative.

Rocket Readers

Your child needs to be reading 5 times a week. This is vital for their progress in all areas of the curriculum! We are aiming for Y4 to have 100% rocket readers!

Please read with your child, ask them questions, discuss their book and record in their reading journal to bring back to school everyday.

Personal Development

In PSHE we will be looking at Rights, resources and responsible choices. Children will learn how to manage setbacks and perceived failures, including how to re-frame unhelpful thinking. Children will also learn how to give first aid in an emergency. Knowing that remaining calm will help a casualty and recognise when it is imperative to call for medical professionals.

Home learning

Help at home by….

- **Reading 5 times a week and recording in their reading journal.**
- **Ensuring that your child completes their homework each week as this will support their learning.**
- **Help your child to learn their Y4 spellings and play on spelling shed.**
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- **• Make sure your child is regularly using sumdog and times table rockstars to support them with their times tables check at the end of Y4.**
- **Homework will be set on a Friday and is expected to be completed by the following Thursday.**

Recommended websites:
• www.bbc.co.uk/education
• www.topmarks.co.uk/
• www.crickweb.co.uk/ks2literacy.html
• www.eedi.com
Recommended apps (All free!)

Good News

We have seen fantastic engagement in the use of Times Table Rock Stars to support with the Y4 multiplication check. For many weeks, Y4 have won the competition of most usage and points across school.

Maths and English

This half term, we will be focusing on multiplication, length and perimeter and fractions. We will also have a huge focus on the use of Times Table Rock Stars to prepare Y4 for their multiplication test!

Events and Key Dates

Parent Event:
Wednesday 11th March - 2:15pm

Blyton - Every Tuesday – Swimming
Every Thursday PE

Walliams– PE DAYS – Monday and Friday