

Week beginning 24th April

English

This week in English, to tie in with our topic work, we will be reading texts about holidays and the seaside. We will be focusing on answering different types of comprehension questions, such as; answering simple questions, inferring characters' behaviour, understanding why certain words have been used and sequencing events.

We are now beginning to send home individual bookmarks with your child's reading book. This bookmark focuses on your child's individual reading target and gives you ideas on how to help your child achieve this target. When your child reads at school, we will focus in particular on their target, so any help that you have been able to give at home will be very useful. For 'free reader' children, they **do not** now need to write down answers to their bookmark, but any discussion around their target would be really helpful. Next week our spellings will focus on compound words - words made up of two different words - such as handbag and football. Well done to all those children who completed the Easter reading challenge. Next week in assembly we will give out certificates and do a 'Stars in the Jars' draw for prize books.

Maths

Miss Cridland's group

Homework: Doubling and halving to help solve problems.

Throughout the week: Telling the time to 5 minute intervals and solving problems involving time.

Miss Kyndt and Mrs Kansu's groups:

Homework: Recognising pentagons, hexagons and octagons.

Throughout the week: Measuring volume, capacity, mass and temperature and reading scales.

Mrs Bethke's group

Homework: Recognising 3D shapes

Throughout the week: Place value and comparing different numbers, eg knowing that 13 has one ten and three ones and is a smaller number than 31 which has

three tens and one one.

Foundation Subjects (taught in the afternoon)

This week we started our new topic 'Out and About' by doing a drama session, where the children ended up on a shipwrecked island. We then went into the Forest Schools area where the children roleplayed surviving on a desert island, which was part of our science curriculum. Next week we will be continuing this theme and the children will be learning about manmade and physical features and creating their own holiday resort.

End of year performance

We have begun practising songs for Treasure Island this week, which the children really enjoyed. We will be learning the songs this half term, and then next half term we will begin to cast roles and learn lines. The dates for Treasure Island are:

Monday 17th July - 2:15pm

Tuesday 18th July - 10:00am - parents are invited to bring pre-school children to this performance

Wednesday 19th July - 2:15pm

In June we will send out a letter for you to request tickets. In the first instance we will offer 3 tickets per family, and more if there are tickets remaining.

Diary dates

Wednesday 3rd May - Please bring back signed permission slips and payment for Hunstanton trip by this date.

Wednesday 10th May - Year 2 trip to Hunstanton.

May 29th - 5th June - Half term break including professional day on Monday 5th June.

Monday 3rd July - Sports Day (if wet will be rescheduled for Monday 10th July) - more details to follow.

Wednesday 5th July - Changeover day - children spend the day with their new teacher in St Mary's.

Thank you for your continued support.

Year 2 staff

