

Dear Parents,

This is what we will be covering this half-term in Year 4:

Maths

- find fractions of amounts
- recognise and show, using diagrams, families of common equivalent fractions
- begin to understand improper and mixed number fractions and be able to convert between the two
- count in fractions using a number line
- add and subtract 2 fractions
- solve problems including fractions
- recognise and write decimal equivalents of any number of tenths or hundredths
- write tenths as decimals and fractions
- represent decimal numbers on a number line
- divide 1 digit number by 10, using place value grid to help them

English –

Reading:

- listen to and discuss a wide range of fiction, poetry, plays, non-fiction and reference books or textbooks
- use dictionaries to discuss meanings of words
- identify themes in a story
- discuss word choice in stories and books that we read
- check that what they are reading makes sense to them
- draw inferences such as inferring characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their actions, and justifying inferences with evidence
- retrieve information to answer questions

Writing:

- ensure they are applying the year 4 words, including spelling test words, to their writing
- to vary their ideas based on the writing they are doing (letters, diary entries, newspaper reports, stories etc.)
- use a dictionary to check spellings
- to self and peer assess their writing and make improvements, including editing to change vocabulary, grammar, repetition etc.
- to vary their sentences structures, including using subordinate clauses and commas
- use commas after fronted adverbials
- use paragraphs when they are talking about a new character, time, thought etc.

IPC – Different Places, Similar Lives

In Geography, we'll be finding out:

- What different countries are like
- How the climate affects the way people live
- Where our food comes from
- What people grow and eat in different countries
- What products we make in our host country

In Technology, we'll be finding out:

- How people, food and water are transported
- How wheels, levers, pulleys, slides and floats work
- About the development of the motor car and how it has changed the world

In History, we'll be finding out:

- About important people in the countries we are studying
- About the way important people have changed lives
- How to make a timeline for the host country

Thank you for your continued help and support,

Miss Bullock