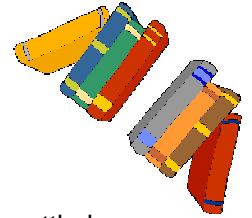


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Dear Parents,
Hope you had an enjoyable Christmas and a Happy New Year to you all. Class 4 have settled back in and are eager to learn about our new topics.

Subject	Topics covered
Literacy	FICTION- We will be investigating key features of fantasy stories, focusing on the creation imaginary worlds and the use of language to create particular effects. NON FICTION- We will be developing effective strategies for understanding explanatory texts. POETRY- Poems from a different culture.
Numeracy	Counting, Partitioning and calculating(including mental calculation strategies). Handling data, measures and shape.
Science	The Earth and beyond- understanding the Solar System. That the Sun Earth and Moon are approximately spherical, how the position of the sun appears to change during the day, how day and night are related to the spin of the earth on its own axis and that the earth orbits the sun once a year.
Geography	The effects of weather around the World and how to improve the environment.
R.E.	Jesus as an adult and Jesus as servant King.
PHSE	Going for goals and Good to be me.
Art and DT	Collage and 3D
P.E.	Dance- Travelling actions eg. Patterns. Gymnastics- Variety in ways of approaching and leaving apparatus. Games- Ball handling skills on the move.
Music	Learning to play the Fife with specialist music teacher Emily Haughton.
French	Celebrating achievements and special occasions, parts of the body and descriptions of people.

Homework - will be given out on Friday to be returned by Wednesday. It will sometimes consist of a list of spellings, times tables and Literacy or Numeracy. Some weeks it could be linked to our science or geography work.

Special person- every week in class 4 one child is chosen to be the "Special Person" . This entails having special jobs in the class etc and making their own display. The display is made up of items/possessions that are special to the child eg. Photographs of them as a baby, holiday photos, certificates, medals, a collection. Basically anything that is of interest or special to them.

Yours sincerely

Mrs. H. Green

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