



19th January 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well done to the children who completed their Bikability training and to the children who represented the school at the O2 in the singing event. All the children behaved impeccably and are a credit to the school.

In science, we have been continuing to explore our 'Animals including Humans' topic, learning about the different muscles in the body and what muscles do. In Geography, the children located different countries on a map of Europe. In RE, the children have been looking at the story of Noah, in PE the children have continued to work in groups to create a machine dance and in outdoor PE the children have been perfecting different ball skills. All the topics the children will be learning about this term are on the school website and these will give you an idea of what your child will be learning in each subject. <u>(Curriculum Captures' (click here)</u>

Home Learning: Reading is the key focus of the school and daily reading with and to your children will benefit their learning and understanding of all areas of the curriculum. If your child wanted to, they have brought a book home to read from the school library. Please make sure this book gets returned back to school by Monday so they can swap it for a different one. All the children have been given a log in to Collins Big Cat and books to read will be set on there. Please note that sometimes it seems take a couple of attempts to successfully log on, however, if you have difficulties logging on, please contact your child's class teacher, their email is on this letter. There will also be a sheet of activities on Teams to complete if your children would like to add to their learning and their work can be uploaded back onto Teams to share with the class. Activities will also be set on Mathletics.

In Maths, we will be continuing to explore our multiplication and division topic. The children will be practising multiplying and dividing in the 3, 4 and 8 times tables. In **English**, the children will be continuing their topic on recounts. They will have the opportunity to write a short diary extract, based on the text 'Diary of a Killer Cat' by Anne Fine. They will be focusing on punctuating direct speech.

In **Spelling** we will be focusing on words that are homophones (words that have the same pronunciations but are spelt differently). Spring 1 spellings from the Year 3/4 spelling words are also attached to this letter.

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great	main	Year 3/4 Spelling Words
grown	missed	Spring 1
		complete consider
meet	grate	continue
		decide
mane	groan	describe
		different
mist	meat	difficult
		disappear





Year 3/4 Spelling List – for reference

Year A	earth	length	regular
accident	eight	library	reign
accidentally	eighth	material	remember
actually	enough	medicine	sentence
address	exercise	mention	separate
answer	experience	minute	special
appear	experiment	natural	straight
arrive	extreme	naughty	strange
believe	famous	notice	strength
bicycle	favourite	occasion	suppose
breath	February	occasionally	surprise
breathe	forwards	often	therefore
build	fruit	opposite	though
busy	grammar	ordinary	although
business	group	particular	thought
calendar	guard	peculiar	through
caught	guide	perhaps	various
centre	heard	popular	weight
century	heart	position	woman
certain	height	possess	women
circle	history	possession	
complete	imagine	possible	
consider	increase	potatoes	
continue	important	pressure	