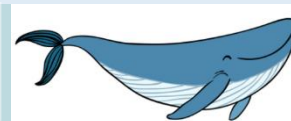


16th January 2025



Dear Parents/Carers,

The children have had a great second week back!

On Thursday, lots of the children participated in Bikeability. At the time of writing, the children have not yet received their certificates and badges but these will be presented to them soon. In both sessions it was noted how well behaved the children were and how respectful they were towards the instructors.

Excitedly, this week we have started to think about the preparations needed for our Year 4 sharing assembly coming up. We have been very pleased with the number of children who have asked to play an active role in the assembly and wanted speaking parts. We look forward to seeing lots of you in a couple of weeks!

Both classes will still have outdoor PE on Wednesdays and indoor PE on Fridays. The children should always have their PE kit in school, and we ask that hair is tied back. If your child has earrings, then should be removed in order to participate safely in the lesson. We have noticed that some children do not have the appropriate PE considering how cold it is outside. Please can you ensure that your child has a pair of warm trousers/joggers as we are noticing some children are complaining about feeling cold when doing outdoor PE.

Please encourage your child to do lots of reading at home (independently and with you) and practise their times tables. The children will be bringing their choice book from the library home with them to share with you and before the Christmas break, we sent out the Collins E-Book logins so that children can access books at home which are appropriate to their reading level.

Key Dates for this half term:

- Wednesday 29th and Thursday 30th January - Year 4 Sharing Assembly

- Wednesday 12th and Thursday 13th February - Open Classroom

In **Maths** next week, we will be focussing on strategies to help us multiply mentally and looking at the distributive law.

In **English** next week, we will be continuing our poetry unit by writing our Animal Poems and then editing and evaluating them. We also hope to include some illustrations too.

We have forest school on the following dates this half term: 15th January and 12th February.

Thank you for ensuring your child comes to school in appropriate clothing and has a separate pair of shoes (or wellies). The children are not allowed to wear their PE shoes or school shoes when going to the Forest.

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