



Last half-term, we enjoyed

In our last term in year 4, we enjoyed reading and writing about the Butterfly Lion. In maths, we loved developing our accuracy when solving calculations as well as learning about shapes and angles. In science, we learnt all about our teeth including the different types and functions as well as all about our digestive system. One of our favourite subjects was art and we absolutely loved creating mod rock sculptures based on Claus Oldenberg. In DT, we produced our very own passport cover using needle and thread. Another highlight was the summer fair which was fantastic fun, including an exclusive student stall we set up. Swimming and PE lessons were always brilliant, and we are thrilled to carry swimming on this year!

This half-term, we are looking forward to... We are very excited to be reading and writing all about the famous Harry Potter in English and creating our own magical narratives. In maths, we are learning the place value and addition and subtraction of numbers up to 1,000,000. We will also be learning about equivalent fractions and revisiting methods to approach questions efficiently. Our exciting science topic is all about changing materials where we will be dissolving and separating a range of everyday resources as well as looking at their properties. In history, we are delving into the past and learning about World War One where we will be learning about the role of women and the changes in their lives that the war brought. In our art topic, "portraits" we are learning about the famous artist Jean Michel Basquiat and creating work in his style. In music, we are learning the music of Bon Jovi with Living on a Prayer. On Fridays, we are excited to go swimming again.

Key Vocabulary

- Change of state
- Dissolve / solution
- Reversible / non-reversible change
- Conflict
- Women's Land Army
- Commonwealth
- Diversity
- Hues, tints and shades
- Contouring
- Globalisation
- Trade

Home learning links

Science:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zryycdm>

History:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zqhyb9q>

Geography

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zx72pv4/a>

Important days and dates

- We have PE on a Monday morning
- Friday afternoon we will be swimming.
- Mrs Noakes will be teaching every Friday morning.
- Spellings go home on a Friday and then are tested in school the following Friday. Please practise regularly at home as spellings are part of homework, please return the completed practice sheet on a Friday.
- Book bags and reading records need to be in school daily please
- Bug Club and Times Table Rock stars should be worked at home (aiming for x3 a week)
- Year 5 trip to Leighton Hall TBC
- Year 5 trip to the Imperial war museum TBC
- For more details on dates please visit the school website
<https://www.willow.lancs.sch.uk/>