

The Heights Primary School Year 4 Parent Planner: Spring | Week 6

Dear Parents/Carers

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This week our themes are:

Romans	
English	This week we will continue to publish work for our
	Kensuke's Kingdom display board. Thank you to
	everyone who has sent in plastic bottles, we still need a
	few more if anyone has any, much appreciated.
Maths	In Maths, the children will be continuing their learning
	on decimals. They will be identifying decimals on a
	number line and linking to their work on decimals they
	will be dividing numbers by 10 and 100 to create
	decimal numbers. They will also be solving fractions
	problems.
Topic	We had so much fun bird watching last Monday that
	we ran out of time for our topic work. We will be
	catching up this week. The children will be using
	atlases and chrome books to find Roman places. On a
	map they will be labelling Roman places and roads.
	In Art the children will be working collaboratively on
	designing a Roman mosaic which they will then work on
	together.
	In computing we will be writing up what we have learnt
	using the iPads and the robots, in particular how each
	of our instructions makes each part of the robot move
	and in what way.
	The children have been really excited to use our new
	chrome books, however these come with a few health
	warnings. Please see end of planner. In R.E. our
	focus will continue to be on what makes a good leader.
	We will learn about some of the Muslim prophets and
	why they are important to Muslims.
	Our focus in PSHE is on Dreams and Goals. We are still
	collecting old jam jars with lids for our dream jars.
	Any contributions will be gratefully received. Thank you
	for those that have been sent in so far.

Just a couple of things to mention ...

Chrome Books

The children have all enjoyed using the new chrome books and have all been given their own individual username and passwords. Once a week, during morning work (first 10 minutes of day), they have been logging onto a French programme which they have thoroughly enjoyed. They have each set up a profile on the French programme but in order to do this they had to type in an email address (<u>firstname.surname@theheightsprimary.co.uk</u>). We had to set up profiles otherwise the programme will not save their progress and they will end up repeating the same lessons.

So far, the children have not questioned the fact that they have an email address, however I am sure it won't be long. I am confident that once they realise that they have an email address that it won't be long before they realise that they can access emails at home.

To avoid any potential issues, we will, this week, be showing the children how they can use their email. Many, I am sure will know already. We will look at how to compose an email, send an email and reply to an email. We will also talk about appropriate and inappropriate use of email and what to do if in receipt of an inappropriate email. We will also make it clear that at home, they should never be logging onto emails or indeed the internet unless they have parental permission.

If you have any questions about this, please do not hesitate to pop in and discuss it with me.

Cracking Times Tables

A big thank you to Lisa Anderson who has been marking our Cracking Times Tables each Friday. Unfortunately, due to work commitments Lisa is no longer able to do this after half term. If there is anyone else who may be able to do this, please let myself or the office know. It is useful if it is the same person each week at least for half a term.

Have a lovely half term week.

Mrs Thomas