

Years 2, 3 and 4 Newsletter

Friday 19th December 2014



Literacy

Year 2 have finished the term with instruction writing. They learnt the importance of time words to structure their work, adverbs to add detail and bossy verbs to provide the instruction. In the process they have made rice crispie cakes and charming owl decorations.

Year 3 have been working very creatively with language. They have studied shape poems, describing Christmas. The children have played with simile and adjectives.

Year 4 have also tapped into their creative side with a poetry unit. They have explored vocabulary about winter and Christmas to create festive poems. Look out for these poems, they are coming home!

Numeracy

Year 2 used their hard earned multiplication badges to solve division problems. They have all learnt how to record their thinking using jottings and number lines.

Year 3 have worked hard to refine their written methods for the four operations. They have applied their knowledge of place value and number to work efficiently and reliably.

Year 4 have developed their understanding of data handling. They had a star jump competition and compared and analysed their results using charts and graphs.

Thank you for all the generous contributions towards our Big Bake and the Christmas parties. Your support is invaluable.

The children have enjoyed learning about the Tudors and they have amazed us with their fantastic memories. The apothecary, Tudor kitchen and Court Room are now closed and will make way for a pyramid, a tour bus and a tomb as we study the Egyptians.

Remember years 3 and 4 have got to complete their Maths Whizz over the Christmas holidays.

Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year from all of the Middle Phase Staff.

Science

Year 2 have now finished their materials topic. They have melted, cooked, twisted and squashed different materials investigating reversible and irreversible changes.

Year 3 have been working with light and dark. They have been exploring shadows and looking into how the eye works.

Year 4 have been very excited about their electricity unit. They have made circuits to make bulbs light and investigated insulators.