

KS2 Newsletter

Year 3 and Year 4

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English

This week children in Year 3 have been mainly focusing on spelling, punctuation and grammar within their play script unit. Next week they will start writing their own play scripts based on one of their favourite fairy tales by the Grimm brothers!

Year 4 have continued to work on their unit of work about news reports. They have been learning about the differences between formal and informal texts as well as how to write direct and reported speech. Learning to edit their own work has led to great improvements in their writing.

Maths

The children in Year 3 have been revisiting some of the key concepts they have learnt earlier in the year like statistics (collecting data and graphing it) as well as place value. Like the other classes, they will be completing maths assessments soon.

Last week Year 4 we reviewed place value and ordering numbers up to 4 digits, including negative numbers. This week they are looking at interpreting line graphs and creating their own. They will be gathering their own data to use in their graphs.

Science

Year 3 have been learning about forces. They used magnets and played tug of war to learn about the 'pull' force, then raced toy cars on different surfaces to learn about friction.

Year 4 have been learning how to draw line graphs to show their results of a melting experiment. They will also be learning about evaporation and condensation.

Grafham

Both Year 3 and Year 4 have had an exciting addition to their time table for the next few weeks. They have been working at Winhills with instructors from Grafham Water Centre, doing activities such as orienteering, team building and obstacle courses. They will be working with them for the next few Tuesdays. The children and teachers have already had so much fun!

ICE zone

With the Olympics in Brazil approaching ever closer, the children have been researching the origins of these amazing games. They have also learnt lots of Geography including all about the location and eruption of volcanoes. They have researched lots of different cities across the continent and made comparisons to more familiar cities.

Wind in the Willows

This will be the Summer show for all of Key Stage 2 (Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6) so please keep your diaries free at 6pm on Monday 11th July and 6pm on Tuesday 12th July. The children have already started learning their dances and songs (which are really catchy!). They should now all have a booklet with the songs so no doubt you'll be hearing them practising around the house! A letter about costumes and tickets will follow shortly.