

# WINHILLS Year 3 and Year 4 Fortnightly Newsletter

### Year 3

In **English**, Year 3 have been learning how to describe characters and to write engaging stories by choosing interesting vocabulary and using noun phrases to add additional details. The text used has been a short film (without words) called 'Baboon on the Moon'. Spelling has focused on using split digraphs and learning the rules for changing verbs to the past tense.

In **Mathematics**, the focus has been on place value - learning the value of each digit in a number working with thousands, hundreds, tens and units. The children have learnt to read, write, compare and order them as well as adding and subtracting ones, tens and hundreds.

As part of our **Science** topic, the children have been finding out about nutrition and how to eat a balanced diet. This week, they made a huge plate in the classroom and added food from the different groups - protein, carbohydrates, fruit and vegetables etc - while talking about why bodies need each food type.

## Year 4

In **English**, the children are currently learning all about newspapers and what features are used. The children have been reading a range of different papers and are now looking into headlines and captions and they are beginning to plan their very own articles!

In **Mathematics**, Year 4 have been looking at a range of activities relating to place value. This week, we are focusing on rounding multiples of 10 to the nearest 10, 100 and 1000.

To start off their **Science** learning, Year 4 are learning all about habitats and how organisms are adapted to their environment. The class have been exploring the school grounds looking for a range of different habitats.

# **ICE Zone**

The ICE zone is a hive of activity with Roman shields and mosaics being designed and created while, outside, the children have been investigating Roman numerals and telling the time by the sun.

# **Reminders**

Please remember that children need to bring their reading books to school each day even if they have not finished reading it yet. Written homework is due on Mondays and the Maths Whizz week runs from Monday morning to Sunday evening with minutes being counted then.

The weather is extremely variable at the moment so please make sure that your child has the correct outdoor clothes for whatever each day brings!





