



Crystal Class News

28th May 2021

Things to note:

Welcome to the half term holidays! We have made it through another term... and we are all still in school! Yay! I hope you all have a lovely and restful break (let's hope the sun shines for us all).

After half term, we will be looking at recapping skills we have learnt in our core subjects (English and Maths) to ensure that we have got them 'stuck' in our brains ready to hit the ground running in year 4.

We will also be continuing with our project 'Where did it all start?' During the next term, we will be looking at the lives of people from Stone Age to Iron Age. As we have not got the opportunity to head out on a school trip this year, we thought it would be a great experience for children to have a visitor come in and teach us about life in the Iron Age. This will be an interactive day where the children will get to study artefacts and carry out tasks from the everyday life of an Iron Age person.

We will be paying our visitor for her time and so we would be requesting an approximate £3 contribution from the children for the day – I am sure it will be worth it. We have discussed this opportunity in class and the children seem very excited already.

This week:

In Maths, we have completed our learning of fractions – finishing with adding and subtracting fractions with the same denominator as well as building a correlation between tenths as a fraction and as a decimal. The children seemed so confident with this that we actually started converting half, quarter and three quarters into decimals. We were amazing at this! Well done Crystal Class!

In English, we are sinking our teeth into our pebble story. Due to my sickness earlier in the week and management time last week, we seemed to lose our momentum for our story writing. However, after a session on building writing stamina, we are right back on track and the children are doing a brilliant job. Sadly, I don't think we will have time to finish them today so this may continue into the first week of next term.

In our project, we have been looking at programming and finishing redrafting our cave art to build on our blending skills when using pastels. The children have done a brilliant job with this art and I can't wait to put them up in the class cave!



In Jigsaw next term, we will be looking at 'changes'. This will be looking at how life changes. For example, how will year 4 be different to year 3? We will also be looking at how are bodies change as we get older. I will provide an overview of this topic as well as the vocabulary we will be using as a guidance... just in case some interesting conversations pop up at home!

Have a lovely holiday!