# **Diamond Class Newsletter**

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#### This week:

#### Maths:

This week we have been investigating the properties of quadrilaterals. The children have been working hard to classify them according to shape, parallel sides, angles etc. Although we will be changing our focus next week to revising written methods for multiplication and division, it would be useful to consolidate this with your child if you have a moment-thank you.

Quadrilateral	Properties	
Rectangle	4 right angles and opposite sides equal	
Square	4 right angles and 4 equal sides	
Parallelogram	Two pairs of parallel sides and opposite sides equal	<b>₹</b>
Rhombus	Parallelogram with 4 equal sides	$\langle \rangle$
Trapezoid	Two sides are parallel	
Kite	Two pairs of adjacent sides of the same length	

We continue to work hard for the MTC (multiplication tables check) which will take place in the weeks from June 10<sup>th</sup> -28<sup>th</sup> June. We can access the practise format now and I intend to work with small groups to try this in the coming weeks .Please can you continue to ensure the children have lots of practise on the "Timestables Rockstars" so that they are fully ready and feel confident with quick recall. I am continuing to set Mathsletics homework too and this week we have run a lunchtime homework club to enable children to catch up on any missed learning. As before, Mathsletics will be set every Tuesday.

## **Cross-curricular Learning:**

Thank you for helping your child with the research on "The Digestive System", they have been able to put in a lot of content into their writing and the non-chronological texts are very detailed.

In history, we have been using historical sources to investigate the inequality between rich and poor Victorian children. We have watched video clips too which show some of the appalling jobs children did—I think Diamond Class can't quite believe that children were treated so badly in Victorian times. We will continue this learning next week with a focus on "The Workhouses".

PE: Sports Day practise is underway, although we have been struggling to avoid the showers to get out on the field. Fingers crossed for more opportunities next week.