

CLASS NEWSLETTER



Books to support your child's learning:

The Whale – Ethan and Vitta Murrow

When the Mountains Roared – Jess Butterworth

Why the Whales Came – Michael Morpurgo

Wild in the Streets – 20 poems of city animals

Learning Overview

A huge welcome back to school to all our children and their families – the summer already seems a distant memory! We hope you have all had a lovely time with your children over the summer and that they are rested, refreshed and ready to start an exciting new school year.

We start the half term by working on Roald Dahl's 'The Witches' in English, recapping children's existing skills and building on them further by starting our year 4 objectives. We will then be working on 'The Whale' by Ethan and Vitta Murrow, at the end of which we will be writing a setting narrative.

In maths, we will be focusing heavily on number and place value throughout this half term to ensure the children have firm foundations for their work throughout the year. We will then be moving on to column addition and subtraction using a formal written method.

In Geography, we will be studying natural disasters, specifically looking at volcanoes and thinking about why people might live near them. In Science, we will be investigating teeth and the digestive system. We are going to be investigating whether or not all churches are the same during our RE work and in PSHE, we will be thinking about being me in my world and looking at our rights but also our responsibilities in school and beyond. Finally, in Art, we will be exploring storytelling through drawing.

Reminders

- PE takes place every Monday and Tuesday – please ensure your child has both an indoor and outdoor PE kit in school.
- Children will be bringing home a reading book and reading records in the first week of half term. Please support your child by listening to them read for ten minutes **daily** and commenting in their reading record. We will discuss home reading further at our Meet the Teacher night.

Key Dates

Wednesday, 18th September – Meet the Teacher event in school (3.30 – 4.30)

Friday, 27th September – Macmillan Coffee Afternoon (2.30pm onwards)

Friday, 18th October – Showcase of children's work (3.30 – 4.30)



British Values focus:
Democracy



Assembly focus:
Ambition