



Year 4 Newsletter

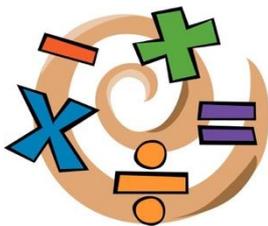
Spring 2

English

Children will be continuing to deepen their understanding of various grammatical rules. They will be learning about the structure of sentences in more detail before applying this to independent writing. Within extended writing lessons, children will continue to write for a range of purposes which will be linked closely to our topic 'The Butterfly Lion'.

Maths

In maths lessons, we will continue to build on children's understanding of the four operations, in particular, multiplication and division. Children will be taught a range of formal written methods to solve multiplication and division problems effectively and efficiently and will have opportunities to build upon these skills through reasoning their ideas and problem solving.



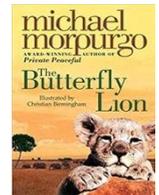
Science

Within science, we will be continuing to learn about animals and their habitats. Whilst doing so, we will continue to classify animals based on their features as well as beginning to learn about food chains. Finally, throughout the term, we will continue to work scientifically through undertaking investigations where children will be able to set up and undertake their own fair test.

The Butterfly Lion

This term, we will be using the Micheal Morpurgo book 'The Butterfly Lion' as a basis for our topic learning. We will be using this book to enhance our geographical skills by following Bertie Andrews on his journey from Africa to Europe. Whilst on this journey, we will also explore how landscapes and geographic location can impact on human lifestyle.

Additionally, we will use this book as inspiration to create some African themed art work. Children will develop their current artistic ability, using various techniques to create different pieces of art before evaluating their ideas and recommending areas for improvement.



Homework

Throughout this term, children will continue to receive weekly spellings which they will be tested on. Additionally, children are required to complete their times tables booklet on a weekly basis to assist with their constant development and ability to recall their multiplication facts. Finally, at Park End Primary school, we are fortunate enough to have access to Reading Plus and TT Rockstars. Children are encouraged to use both of these programs at home to assist with their multiplication facts and their reading fluency, comprehension and understanding of word meaning. Both of these programs can be accessed on any device that allows internet access.