

Year 3/4 News

Friday 15th November 2024

Dear All,

It has been a wonderful learning week all across the unit. The children thoroughly enjoyed their first Exeter Chiefs training sessions and demonstrated excellent sportsmanship skills too. In DT, we have explored some 3D shape nets and will continue to do next week, constructing 3D shapes from nets. In science, the children have categorised pushes and pulls and will be investigating magnetic forces through practical explorations. All classes had very useful and thoughtful class conversations about bullying and kindness as a part of national Anti-Bullying week. In reading, the children particularly enjoyed Brian Moses poem *I am walking with my Iguana*. The children were super excited to act out freeze frame scenes from the movie UP in their drama workshops this week too!

Have a lovely weekend now!

The Year 34 Team

SUBJECT SPECIFIC VOCABULARY

Each week we will share vocabulary linked to the learning we have planned for the coming week. It is helpful for the children to become familiar with some of these words before they meet them in their lessons. There is no need to produce any work linked to these words, a conversation at home about the words would be brilliant!

- English – verb, past, present perfect
- History - timeline, BC (Before Christ), AD (Anno Domini)
- PSHE - conflict, resolve, solution

HOME LEARNING

Reading – If you have any queries about your child's reading, please use the Reading Records to pass on any comments to the teacher. **Children should aim to read at home for 15-20mins daily.** This may be reading to an adult or independent reading. Please record reading in the green reading record and ensure it is in school every day along with their reading book.

Spellings – This week in our spelling lessons, we have been looking at our year 3 & 4 statutory spelling words: **actual, bicycle, answer, circle, earth, enough, island, fruit, often, popular**

Times tables – Times tables are key to so many areas of maths so we would like children to try to spend a little bit of time practising regularly - every day if possible! Children can log on at <https://play.trockstars.com> and <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>.

This week, Mr Pattison has set up an exciting Rockstars battle as homework, please have a go!

Optional Extras – Sometimes children are keen to do something extra linked to their learning. We will give ideas but there is no requirement to complete these tasks.

DT – Print out a net of a 3D shape- can you construct a shape from the net?

History- How many historical time periods could you name?

Science – How many magnets/ magnetic gadgets can you find at home?

NOTICES:

- Exeter Chiefs in on Mondays – make sure you have a PE kit and trainers in school (warm jumpers or tracksuits/ leggings are fine in cold weather)
- PE Days - 3/4P – Monday (outdoor), Friday (Indoor)
3/4J – Monday (outdoor), Thursday (Indoor)
3/4K – Monday (outdoor), Wednesday (Indoor)

If your child wears earrings, please can they be removed for PE days for safety reasons.

- If possible, please could you send your child in with a healthy snack of fruit or vegetables for playtime. Lots of learning makes them very hungry! 😊

Spelling

Year 1

the	they	one
a	be	once
do	he	ask
to	me	friend
today	she	school
of	we	put
said	no	push
says	go	pull
are	so	full
were	by	house
was	my	our
is	here	
his	there	
has	where	
I	love	
you	come	
your	some	

Year 2

door	gold	plant	clothes
floor	hold	path	busy
poor	told	bath	people
because	every	hour	water
find	great	move	again
kind	break	prove	half
mind	steak	improve	money
behind	pretty	sure	Mr
child	beautiful	sugar	Mrs
children	after	eye	parents
wild	fast	could	Christmas
climb	last	should	everybody
most	past	would	even
only	father	who	
both	class	whole	
old	grass	any	
cold	pass	many	

Year 3

Previously taught homophones, e.g.

- there/their/they're
- see/sea
- here/hear
- one/won
- bare/bear
- son/sun
- to/too/two
- be/bee
- blue/blew
- night/knight

Year 4

Previously taught homophones, e.g.

- affect/effect
- break/brake
- here/hear
- mail/male
- meat/meet
- missed/mist
- piece/peace
- rain/rein/reign
- weather/whether
- who's/whose

Year 3-4 Statutory Spellings

accident(ally)	famous	particular
actual(ly)	favourite	peculiar
address	February	perhaps
answer	forward(s)	popular
appear	fruit	position
arrive	grammar	possess(ion)
believe	group	possible
bicycle	guard	potatoes
breath	guide	pressure
breathe	heard	probably
build	heart	promise
busy/business	height	purpose
calendar	history	quarter
caught	imagine	question
centre	increase	recent
century	important	regular
certain	interest	reign
circle	island	remember
complete	knowledge	sentence
consider	learn	separate
continue	length	special
decide	library	straight
describe	material	strange
different	medicine	strength
difficult	mention	suppose
disappear	minute	surprise
early	natural	therefore
earth	naughty	though/although
eight/eighth	notice	thought
enough	occasion(ally)	through
exercise	often	various
experience	opposite	weight
experiment	ordinary	woman/women
extreme		