## Spring is in the Air

## Bluebell - Term 4

Welcome to Term 4 - It's turning into spring
In English, we will take the inspiring story of Tyrus Wong, Chinese immigrant and artist for Walt Disney to inspire our writing. We will turn the story into a first person narrative and write persuasively to encourage more people to immigrate to 'Gold Mountain' - the USA in the 1920's. Our book is called Paper Son by Julie Leung and illustrated by Chris Sasaki.

We have a huge chunk of fractions in maths and then move onto mass and capacity. Times tables are a vital skill for these areas. Year 4 will continue practising their recall of times tables facts as we get closer to our Multiplication Tables Check in June and year 3 need to continue with their amazing progress to be ready for next year. Meeting on Tues $20^{\text {th }}$ Feb at $3: 45$ to explain this for year 4s.

In Science, we will learn about biology - organisms and ecosystems.

Both year groups will consider what makes Healthy Me. We will focus on healthy relationships, peer pressure and negative lifestyle choices. Both years will continue with music, ICT and Art this term- we are incredibly lucky to have Mr Jeanes taking our art so expect some masterpieces.

In History, will learn about ancient Greeks and Mayans.

Our PE days are Tuesday and Thursday for Year 4, Tennis and Dance, and Wednesday and Friday for Year 3, Dance and Tennis. The PE kit is part of our school uniform; please ensure

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your child has indoor and outdoor PE kit for every lesson. Please, please also label every item! We have had a lot go missing.

Please could everyone label water bottles (especially the expensive ones) as we are having a lot of missing 'air-ups' with nothing but colours to search for.

## Homework

Maths: Children are required to complete their Doodle Maths homework (Staying in the green zone, achieved by collecting their weekly target stars). They are also expected to complete their TT Rockstars session (15 mins per week) OR Doodle Tables (Target stars).
Reading: Children are required to read with an adult 4 times a week at home and this should be recorded in their planner. This is checked on Mondays.
Spellings: Children are required to complete their weekly spellings - 3 different ways, including 1 of these being the words written in context. This is checked on Mondays.
Homework is monitored and children will be required to complete in school as necessary.

If you have any queries or concerns, please find Mr Marron on the playground or email us on enquiries@themeadowsprimaryschool.org.uk.

Have a lovely half term and see you all on TUESDAY $20^{\text {th }}$, February 2024!

