

## Foxglove Class – Term 4

Welcome to Term 4 – longer days and spring flowers!

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 will finish Fractions in maths and then move onto Decimals. 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. **Meeting on Tues 20<sup>th</sup> Feb at 3:45 to explain this.**

In Science, Year 4 will learn about biology – organisms and eco-systems whilst Year 5 will study materials and chemical reactions.

Both year groups will consider what makes Healthy Me. Year 4 will focus on healthy relationships, peer pressure and negative lifestyle choices. Year 5 will look at healthy lifestyles, emergency situations and media pressure. Both years will continue with music, ICT and Art this term.

In History, will learn about ancient Greeks and Mayans in Year 4 whilst Year 5 will compare the Tudors with the Victorians, including notable inventors and inventions.

French for Year 4 will cover French classroom vocabulary and story-telling of le roi tête en l'air whilst Year 5 will look at Spanish Easter traditions and Spanish grammar!

Our PE days are Tuesday and Thursday for Year 4, Tennis and Dance, and Tuesday and Friday for Year 5, Dance and Tennis. The

PE kit is part of our school uniform; please ensure your child has indoor and outdoor PE kit for every lesson. Please, please also label **every** item!

### **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 Ms Gentle or Mrs Grainger on the playground or email us on [enquiries@themeadowsprimaryschool.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@themeadowsprimaryschool.org.uk).

Have a lovely half term and see you all on TUESDAY 20<sup>th</sup> February 2024!

Further curriculum details can be found on our website [here](#)

