



## Year 4 Weekly update: Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2018

### Important dates

**WS class reward trip to the zoo:** Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2018

**CB science trip to Islington Ecology Centre:** Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2018

**WS science trip to Islington Ecology Centre:** Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2018

**P.E. is every Monday.** Please ensure your child has the correct kit in school every week.

### Start of the school day

The school day starts at 8.55am in Key Stage Two.

Guided reading starts at 9.00am.

Children must be at school on time, so that they are ready to start guided reading at 9.00am.

Thank you for your continued support.

### **Maths:**

Building upon the work from last term, children will continue to order and round numbers this week.

We will then begin to look at negative numbers. This will involve placing negative numbers on a number line and ordering and comparing them.

### **Guided Reading and English:**

In guided reading, children will continue to learn new vocabulary, practise reading strategies and explore reading question types.

In English, children will begin looking at a new text – The Lorax. We will focus on the first section of the text this week to write a setting description.

### **Topic:**

This week, Year 4 will begin to plan their own Adrinka patterns, which they will be printing onto fabric later on in the term.

### **Science:**

We have started our new science topic – ‘States of Matter’. This week we will be looking at the particles in solids, liquids and gases and will make a leaflet to explain it to other people.

### **Accelerated Reader:**

Children are continuing to take quizzes for Accelerated Reader. This year we are focussing on 80% accuracy in quizzes. Children need to get most of their questions correct show that they have understood the book.

Please remember that you can go to the library after school and you will be able to find books within your child’s reading range. Please also check your child’s reading diary to ensure that they are choosing a book of the correct level. If you need help with this, please ask a member of the Year 4 team.

### **Homework:**

Homework will be given out on Friday. Children will hand in their completed homework on Thursday. Homework club is on Thursday lunchtime in Shakespeare class. Topic and science are optional. Reading, spellings, times tables and Mathletics are compulsory every week. Reading needs to be for 30 minutes every day. Please practise spelling and times tables at least three times a week.

**Spelling: The spelling test will now be taken every Thursday. This will be in the homework book, so parents can see how their children have done, and give more support if needed.**

### **Reading:**

Reading is the most important way to support your child at home.

When you read with your child, please sign their diary and write in the page numbers that they have read. You can also put in a comment about how they have read. Thank you. Year 4 Team