



# BRAYBROOK

## Year 6

# Fortnightly Newsletter

### Maths

In maths, we have been using our knowledge of both mental and written strategies for all four operations to solve problems. This was an area that came up during the assessments as being a gap– particularly multi-step questions. Therefore, this will be a focus over the coming weeks and will include links to time, shape and measures as well as decimals and negative numbers.

### English

In English, we have been enjoying our new story, Kensuke's Kingdom. As part of this, we have written predictions using the front cover to infer from, written letters in role as the father and we have also written what our impressions are of the main characters. To do this, we used a range of evidence from the text to support our points. Also, to add cohesion to our writing we have been considering deeper the purpose of certain adverbials and conjunctions. This will help us when writing our balanced argument on whether our main characters should sail around the world.

### Science

In our Science sessions, we have begun to learn about light and refraction. The students have investigated how light travels and answered the question as to whether light can bend through scientific enquiry. We will be exploring how the eye works by creating scientific labelled diagrams. We will also be conducting experiments measuring shadows and testing which materials make the best reflectors. These will all require scientific enquiry skills.

## Foundation Subjects

In DT, we have been developing our knowledge of weaving and crafting to create a variety of Xmas decorations, using different strategies to fasten and decorate our items. We will then be using our sewing skills to create a stuffed toy.

In Geography, we have been learning about mountains, how they are formed and the different types of mountains. We then went on to learn about famous mountain ranges in Europe and identifying them on a map, ready to help us do a focused study on the Alps.

In music, we enjoyed a fun music and coding workshop where we learned how program and make music exploring ranges, notations and using if then statements to code. As part of this they explored different frequencies, pitches and volumes for a range of instruments.



## Reminders

**A huge well done to the prefects who delivered their speeches and to Olivia and Ellis for being awarded Head Prefect, as well as Oliwier and Poppy for being awarded Deputy Prefect.**

**Key dates:** Christmas artwork orders are on there way so should be sent home shortly once we receive them.

Friday 1st Dec : wish the lights on assembly where children can wear a Christmas accessory (jumper or t-shirt or hat, etc) in exchange for a bag of sweets for the PTA - it is **not** a non-uniform day though. Christmas decorations can also be brought in for a competition (there is a lovely prize for each class).

13th Dec– Xmas carol concert to years 4/5/6 at 2:15pm

13th Dec– Rocksteady concert 1:30-2pm

15th Dec– Xmas lunch