

# BRAYBROOK Year 4 Fortnightly Newsletter

### **Maths**

In Maths, we have been recapping our Year 3 learning about perimeter and building on this to find missing sides and the perimeter of rectilinear shapes. We started this unit by using numicon to find the perimeter of squares and rectangles. We loved counting the sides and writing on the tables to show our workings! We then moved on to finding the perimeter of rectilinear shapes and using addition and subtraction to find the length of missing sides and polygons.

#### **English**

In English, we have finally finishing reading 'The Last Bear' and have been using the final events of the book to write a newspaper report about the moment that April sails across the Barents Sea to return Bear to his friends and family in Svalbard. We interviewed each other in the role to gain quotes for our articles before learning about plural possessive apostrophes and the past perfect tense.

#### **Science**

In Science, we thoroughly enjoyed some of the amazing events during Science week. We were visited by some scientists from Cambridge University who taught us about different types of batteries and how they were developed before learning to make some of our own. Our Science unit on habitats is helping us to prepare for our visit to Nene Park and we have been practising classifying animals by whether they are vertebrates, invertebrates, mammals, fish, birds etc.

### Foundation Subjects

In Geography, we have been learning about Rivers and how they are used. We wowed everyone with our brilliant understanding of features of a river before considering how rivers are used and the environmental impacts of these uses.

In DT, as part of our World Book Day celebrations, we designed and made our own book jackets. We began by evaluating different types of fastenings on our own clothing before considering the best use for each one. We practised our running stitch before finally make templates and sewing our final designs.

In RE, we have been learning about why Jesus is important to Christians and what the Bible tells us about his actions and the importance of these to believers. We compared contemporary views of Jesus with those we hold today and how miracles impact Christian's view of Jesus as the Messiah.



## **Reminders**

Thank you for sending the children with their PE kit each Wednesday and reminding them to bring their tough packs each day. <u>Key dates:</u>

On Friday mornings, we would love If parents can join our 'Book Club' for 20minutes at the start of the day. This is a time to celebrate reading with your children and counts towards their weekly book reads.

Tuesday 26th March: Trip to Nene Park

Thursday 28th March: Reward Day

<u>Homework:</u> a reminder that homework is sent out every Wednesday and due in every Monday. Children should be reading to an adult five times a week and recording this in their reading diaries (due Friday), alongside 45mins of

MathsWhizz, 15mins Times tables Rockstars and practicing their weekly spellings.



