

It was so good to see so many of you at the Book Look on Monday, the children were all very proud to show off their work. All the children have worked so hard this term and have really settled into year 4. The class have had a fun week with a well-earned class treat.

In **English** this week, the children the children have been focusing on editing, improving, handwriting and presentation. They also had great fun creating an advert for their invented bars of chocolate and filming them, We have had some wonderful advertising slogans. Finally they all got to enjoy a trip to the local library.

Next Term they will be starting their new topic: **The Great Greek Thinkers**. In our English we will be looking at some of Aesop's Fables as well as a few Greek Myths. For grammar the children will be learning about determiners, inverted commas, pronouns and my personal favourite, the 'fronted adverbial'.

The first week back they will focus on

- Reading a the tale of King Midas and the Golden Touch
- Using a dictionary for word meaning
- What is a determiner

In **Maths**, the children have been choosing at the best strategies they know to tackle adding and subtracting large numbers.

The term they will be looking at measure and multiplying

- Kilometres
- Perimeter on a grid
- Perimeter of a rectangle
- Perimeter of rectilinear shapes
- Recalling multiplication and division facts up to 12 x 12.

The first week back they will focus on Kilometres and finding the perimeter of a grid.

In **Science** next term the children will be learning about electricity. They will be; looking at appliances that run on electricity, constructing and naming the parts of a simple circuit, lighting up a lamp, finding out how a switch works and recognising insulators and conductors.

**Homework:** Spellings will continue to be sent home weekly, it is important that the children learn their spellings for Monday; they are also supposed to be highlighting the spellings they have got wrong in the test so they can see which ones they need to practise.

**Topic:** This homework is optional and can be interpreted in which ever creative and imaginative way the children choose. They also have up until the **11<sup>th</sup> of December** to bring in and share their work. This homework has many suggestions, your child can pick one (or even more) that grabs their imagination; they make great talking points throughout the term. Here are some useful links:

<http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/Greece.html>

<http://www.ancientgreece.co.uk/>

<http://www.historyforkids.net/ancient-greece.html>

Have a great weekend

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