

It has been a busy week and we have managed to pack a lot in! We chose the right day for our walk to The River Stour and enjoyed the sunshine.

The children discovered the source of the river and learned about its course through Kent. They were fantastic eco warriors and carried out their own litter pick around the pond and along the walk back to school.

In the afternoon, they learned about different creatures that should be found in the river and were then given some 'polluted' water to clean using different filtering methods. The day ended with an Under the Surface activity where they dived under a blue tarpaulin (the river) to find an object that you might find in a river. We then decided if it should be returned to the river, recycled or if it was non-recyclable.

We were so proud of their behaviour both at the river and during their session in the afternoon. Well done Year 4!

This week, the children have also:

- Written their own stories to accompany a short video clip called The Lighthouse. They have begun to word process these and will continue with this next week.
- Learned about how to represent and work with decimals using tenths and hundredths.
- Taken part in a Class 4 squash tournament. Well done to Louise and Matthew, our winners!
- Started to create their own computer animation of The Good Samaritan which they will complete next week.

#### **Homework this week:**

This week, I have given the children a Times Table Rockstars sheet to complete so they can practise their times tables or division facts. The sheet needs to be returned by Wednesday, when we will have a times table test.

#### **Buster's Book Club:**

Congratulations Year 4 - we won the Buster's Book Trophy for last week's amazing reading! This week's class winner was Jack.

#### **Bikeability:**

A reminder that Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March is Year 4's Bikeability Level 1 Cycle Training day. The children can wear their own clothes but they will need to wear comfortable clothing and footwear appropriate for riding a bike. If it is raining, the session will still go ahead, so they will also need a waterproof coat. Please remember to send your child in with a cycle helmet as well as their bike.

Have a wonderful weekend.

The Year 4 Team