

This week has been Science Week across the school. We have enjoyed demonstrations from Andrew Berry and Dr Bratt and workshops from Eagle Heights and Our Stour.

This week the children have;

- Subtracted fractions including mixed number fractions and solved problems linked to them
- Investigated air resistance and made predictions
- Worked scientifically by calculating the weight of common objects on Jupiter and the Moon.

So next week we shall be;

- Beginning to multiply fractions
- Starting our unit of work on 'Voices in the Park'
- Investigating water resistance
- Enjoying another ukulele session with Mr Harding

Science Week Investigations

Thank you to all of those budding scientists who have completed an investigation as part of our science week activities. The projects have covered a range of scientific concepts which is great to see.

Book Look

Term 4's Book Look takes place on **Wednesday 3rd April** from 2.30pm. Please enter the school via the main office, doors will open at 2.25pm

Looking forward to Term 5

- Our topic for Term 5 will be 'Anglo Saxons and Vikings'. We have organised a school trip to complement this topic, which will take place at the very beginning of the term. Please look out for the letter with further details, as payment and permission will need to be made this term to enable the trip to go ahead.
- The application process for secondary education opens for current Year 5 pupils in June 2019. In order to assist you in making an informed choice of the most suitable school type for your child we complete CAT (Cognitive Ability Tests) in Term 5 and hold a meeting to explain the process to you. Please look out for dates for your diary in the Weekly Bulletin and in our Year 5 Weekly News.

Homework

This week the focus is on Maths. The children have been set a challenge of achieving 4 or more progressions on Maths Whizz by **Friday 22nd March**. We have been selected as a school to trial the new non-flash player version of Maths Whizz. The player experience seems to be going down well as there are new menu screens and options to create your own avatar. Unfortunately, as this is a test site there have been some glitches. If the children experience any problems at home accessing the site please let us know the details of the errors so that we can pass this information onto the website developer. Your help with this is very much appreciated.

Sponsored Read

Today is the last day for the sponsored read. Try and get in some more minutes. All money and sheets should be returned to school by next Friday (22nd March).

Spellings

Next week will be testing those spellings listed as 'To be tested 22.03.19' on the spelling sheets. These sheets are available in the Class section of the website. These spellings will be tested in school on **Friday 22nd March**.

Times tables

Please remember to use Times Table Rockstars as a way to improve and maintain accuracy of recall in times tables. Times Tables recall and knowledge are tested in school each week.

Have a lovely weekend,
The Year 5 Teaching Team