

This week, the children have:

- Taken part in Science Week by making their own mini rockets using vitamin C tablets; investigated which type of chocolate melts first and used a data logger to measure the temperature of the melted chocolate; learned about the water cycle (who knew a game of Rock, Paper, Scissors would help to reinforce their understanding); learned about Joseph Priestley, a Scientist who helped to discover oxygen, and then investigated how long a candle burns under different sized glass jars. They were also treated to a session on elephant toothpaste with Dr Bratt!
- Subtracted fractions from a whole and calculated fractions of quantities.
- Watched a short clip called 'The Lighthouse' to explore a character's thoughts and feelings, and then collected a range of vocabulary to help them describe the setting.

Next week they will be:

- Beginning work with decimals in Maths.
- Continue their English setting and character descriptive writing linked to the film clip 'The Lighthouse'.
- Begin learning about rivers in our Geography lessons.

Science Homework:

Please refer to last week's newsletter for details of this. The deadline is Monday 25th March and there will then be a whole school 'science share' on Friday 29th March (not 31st as stated in last week's newsletter - apologies for this error).

Homework this week:

I would like the children to spend time on Maths Whizz to try to earn at least 3 progressions. I have set a particular focus on fractions this week. They could also visit <https://ttrockstars.com/> to practise their times tables before Wednesday's test. If your child is unable to access Maths Whizz at home, the ICT suite will be available for them to use during assembly and at the start of morning playtime on Tuesday.

Visit to Brockhill Park:

A quick reminder that all permission slips and contributions (via ParentPay) need to be in by 9am on Tuesday 19th March in order for us to assess if the trip is able to go ahead. If insufficient funds are received, we will have to cancel this trip.

Sponsored Reading Event:

The sponsored reading event ends today! Please can any completed sponsor forms and money collected be returned to school by Friday 22nd March. Thank you in advance for any support and sponsors.

Have a wonderful weekend.

The Year 4 Team