



# BRAYBROOK

## Year 4

# Fortnightly Newsletter

### Maths

Over the last few weeks, the children in Year 4 have worked hard to understand the place value of numbers up to 10,000. We have been representing numbers in a variety of different ways, including using place value counters to add 10, 100 and 1000 more and less than a number. This last week, we have been using number lines to help us locate numbers and have practiced estimating where our number would be placed.

### English

In English, we have just finished reading our book for pleasure 'Grimwood' by Nadia Shireen which was a great hit with the class. In our writing, we have been exploring the story of Beowulf and have written our very own Beowulf story that continues the legend on with a new beast to conquer. We have especially been thinking about using exciting story starters and time and place adverbials to really set the scene for the reader and to connect paragraphs.

### Science

In Science, the children have been exploring and building electrical circuits in our electricity unit. This week, we identified different components and problem solved by working out why particular circuits would not work and what needed to be added to improve them.

## Foundation Subjects

In our history sessions, we have been learning all about life in Britain after the Romans left and the Anglo-Saxons arrived. We built on our learning in Year 3 by comparing life in the different time periods and used our detective skills to discover who was buried at Sutton Hoo.

In Computing, we have been learning about how to keep safe online. We explored how companies use online advertising and influencers to encourage us to buy things and how to avoid falling for common tricks.

In Art, we have been learning about the artists Senaka Senanayake and have been inspired by his use of tropical prints to design our own colourful fabrics with repeating patterns. Stay tuned to see our final pieces!

In RE, we have been exploring the links between different religions and how many religions have the same values, such as equality and freedom for all.

In PE, the children have continued to enjoy their sessions



## Reminders

Thank you for sending the children with their PE kit each Wednesday and reminding them to bring their water bottles each day.

### Key dates:

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

On Tuesday 17th and Wednesday 18th October, parents evening will take place. Please book on Arbor.

**Homework:** 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, alongside 45 mins of MathsWhizz, 15 mins Times tables Rockstars and practicing their weekly spellings.