



Flax Hill Junior Academy

Year 4 Newsletter – Autumn 2, 2022

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This half term we are learning:

English: This term we have been looking at first person narrative through Shaun Tan's book, *The Lost Thing* and we will soon be exploring *The Iron Man* by Ted Hughes.

Maths: This half term we are looking at some areas of geometry, fractions and we spend a lot of time on short multiplications and division. We will be spending lots of time on times tables, too.

Science: We are learning about Living Things.

History: We will continue our work on Vikings, Saxons and the first English kings.

Geography: Our geographical work is currently based around Settlements. We will be looking at Tamworth in more detail this term

DT: The children are learning about mechanisms and how we can apply those to building a sling shot car. Expect lots of glue!

Music: We will continue to look at how we play the ukulele.

French: In French, we are exploring *La Famille*.

PSHE: During Anti-Bullying week we will look at relationships We will also explore online relationships and cyberbullying.

PE: Gymnastics

RE: The children are learning about Rites of Passage and how they are celebrated in different religions.

Computing: We are looking at formatting and layout in different applications.

Message from the teachers:

It's been a great half-term. The children have settled well and are very much getting back into the rhythms of school life. Behaviour has been excellent around school. It was lovely to see so many of you face to face recently too.

We've been really pleased with how well the children have been 'getting into' reading. It's lovely to see them talking about books and sharing what they've enjoyed.

Handwriting has been and will continue to be a big focus. We've seen some superb progress already.

Please get in touch if you have any questions at any time.

Thankyou, as always, for all your support.

Suggested Home Learning Activities

We hope the messages each week on Seesaw are useful; they will explain where we are going with English and Maths each week. Key to this, is the time children spend reading and practicing their x-tables. If you need any support with this at home please give us a call.