



YEAR 4 SWALLOWS

Class Teacher/s: Mrs Coult and Mrs Fairhurst

Learning Support Assistant/s: Mrs McQuillan (Tuesday– Wednesday mornings; Mrs Rose Callaghan (Thursday–Friday mornings)

Important diary dates and reminders

ARBOR – Please check that the information held on your Arbor app is up to date before we break up for the summer holidays. This includes details regarding medical conditions and dietary requirements so that new class teachers have access to the most up-to-date information available.

Email addresses – Please also check that your email address is correct, as this is where end-of-year pupil reports will be sent. **Many thanks.**

Hot weather - it could potentially be quite hot next week for so please appl sun cream before school and remember water bottles and sun hats!

KIRFs (Key Instant Recall Facts): This term our KIRFs is to be able to *recognise decimal equivalents of fractions*. *Please* support your child with the learning of these key facts.

Class update

This week our English learning we used our text, The Last Bear to write their own powerful description of April's ride on the polar bear. The children used all they had learnt to produce some fantastic, innovative work, full of great ideas, accurate punctuation and challenging vocabulary. Very well done all.

In Maths, we have recently completed a range of assessments and spent time consolidating our understanding of number and place value. It's wonderful to see the progress all of the children have made — their confidence and skills are really developing. As we move forward, we will continue to focus on strengthening their mental arithmetic skills, which are a key foundation for all aspects of maths. We'll also be challenging them with more complex reasoning and problem-solving questions, helping them to apply their knowledge in a range of contexts and become more adaptable and proficient mathematicians. This will continue in Year 5 and beyond.

In Maths, we also started a new block of learning on Shape. We looked at different angles, made comparisons and identified triangles and quadrilaterals. The children enjoyed discussing the properties of each shape and using mathematical vocabulary to explain their reasoning.



Spellings

Please also complete the assignments set on Spelling Shed and keep playing the games.

Week 8 Set <u>17.6.26</u> Test 24.6.26		
Spelling Pattern: Challenge words		
Green Group	Yellow Group	Blue Group
accident	accident	accident
actually	actually	actually
busy	busy	busy
eighth	eighth	eighth
forward	forward	forward
Wednesday	Wednesday	Wednesday
guide	guide	
possess		
occasion		
purpose	purpose	purpose
quarter	quarter	quarter
These challenge words are some of the Year 3 and 4 words.		

Home learning

The children should record their work in their blue homework books this week. We are happy for any homework completed to be handed in on Thursday of the following week.

An explanation of the tasks can be found below:

Maths – The Maths homework is to complete the tasks on Mathletics.

English – An explanation of the task can be found below.

Polar Bear and the Arctic Research.

Important to note: This will be the homework for both this week and next and must please be returned by **Monday 29th June.**

We would like the children to gather notes, facts and information about the Arctic and Polar bears. They may choose their own subheadings and points of interest. It will really enhance their learning, and we will be focusing our writing reports on this topic.

Here are a few ideas for sub-headings:

Where Do Polar Bears Live?

Habitat

Adaptations

What Do Polar Bears Eat?

Diet

Challenges Polar Bears Face

Melting Ice and Climate Change

How Humans Affect Polar Bears

Life in the Arctic

Polar Bear Behaviours

How Polar Bears Survive

Scientists Studying Polar Bears

Future of Polar Bears

This information could take a variety of forms, and can be written (aided by an adult if needed) typed, printed out, drawn, as well as include any books you may have read/used to support you.

It will all inform their own writing and be shared amongst the class during the week. **For this reason, they need to be brought in on Monday 29th June as highlighted above.**

Please can this be recorded/stuck into their homework books, so it is all neatly collated in one place. Thank you.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Coult and Mrs Fairhurst



Key Instant Recall Facts

Year 4 – Summer 2



