

4I Newsletter: Spring Term 2, Week 4

This week in 4I..

In English, we are focusing on practising and improving comprehension skills. This week, the children answered comprehension questions for a poem and a non-fiction text. We will be focusing on comprehension until the end of the term, to develop the children's skills further.

In Maths, the children learned how to add and subtract proper, improper and mixed number fractions. They also looked at finding answers using both number lines and part-whole models.

In Geography, the children learned about some of the major rivers in India and specifically focused on the Ganges River and Narmada River. They looked at images of both rivers and identified the similarities and differences between them.

In RS, the children looked more into Holy Communion and what takes place during a service in which Communion is given. They also listened to the story of Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane, as well as Peter's Denial and Jesus Before the Sanhedrin.



On Wednesday, we visited the Science Museum as part of British Science Week. We had a fantastic time exploring the museum and particularly enjoyed the exhibition 'Turn It Up', which was all about sound - the topic we focused on last half term. The children also loved the Technicians Gallery and tried all the STEM, hands-on activities they could, it was brilliant!

On Feel-Good Friday, the children fundraised for Comic Relief's Red Nose Day and had lots of fun wearing their red noses! Many thanks to those who have kindly donated, it is greatly appreciated.

Things to remember

- You are welcome to join us on Wednesday 20th March, from 8:15 to 8:45, for an Internet Safety Workshop led by Ms. Foster. This session will aim to equip parents with tools to navigate the digital world alongside their children safely.
- Thursday 21st March: You are warmly invited to watch your child perform in this year's Shakespeare Festival. The performance will begin at 9am, so please arrive in good time to sign in and be seated.
- We are looking forward to welcoming parents into our classroom on Monday 25th March for a Book Look, from 8:15am to 9am. If you have children in different classes in the Upper School, staff will be on hand to escort you around so that you can see all of your children's brilliant work.
- Also on Monday 25th March, parents of children in Years 3, 4 and 5 are invited to a meeting to introduce our upcoming and exciting Digital Transformation. This will be rolled out from September to children currently in these year groups to start with, and the meeting is an opportunity to give you an initial overview of the initiative. The meeting will take place at 9am, straight after the Book Look; please wait in the main reception area, and you will be taken to the meeting room.
- Please remember to book places (maximum of 2 per family) for Grandparents and Friends Morning on the last day of term, Wednesday 27th March.
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As part of Grandparents' Morning, we will be holding our annual Easter Hat Parade. The children are invited to make an Easter-themed hat or headdress to wear on the day. As we are an eco-friendly school, we would like the children to reuse or upcycle items for their creations. Children must still wear full school uniform and bring their hats in on the day. As this is a fundraising event, please bring £1.

A bake sale will take place after the parade, in the courtyard, where monies raised will be shared between the three charities St James Prep supports – The Daisy Trust, St Vincent's School for the Sensory Impaired and Other Needs and Rossholme School in Kenya.