

4I Newsletter: Spring Term 3, Week 1

This week in 4I...

It's great to be back! The children have returned full of enthusiasm and have been working very hard already.

This half term in English, the children are learning to write persuasive letters. This week, they began learning the model text, its features and formatting too. The children also completed a comprehension about the model text.

In Maths, the children have continued to learn about decimals and fractions and how to make a whole with tenths and hundredths.

Year 4 are learning about the Windrush Generation in History. Last week, they learned about how the first group of migrants travelled from Jamaica to England on HMT Empire Windrush and this week, they learned the life stories of a couple of people who were on that very first journey.

In RS, the children are continuing to learn about Hinduism and looked at the roles within a Hindu family. They then reflected on their own family members and identified their roles.

During Enrichment time, the children have been enjoying designing and making their own islands. If you have any recyclable items, please send them in with your child so they can be used for their projects.

In Cookery, the children made delicious gnocchi pesto. Please find the recipe attached.

Looking forwards, as explained in the PSHEE and RSE policy, your child will be learning the following content in their PSHEE lessons this term:

- Understand how the onset of puberty can have emotional as well as physical impact.
- Identify parts of the body that males and females have in common and those that are different.
- Know the correct terminology for their genitalia.
- Understand and explain why puberty happens
- Know the key facts of the menstrual cycle;

- Understand that periods are a normal part of puberty for girls;
- Identify some of the ways to cope better with periods.
- Marriage including same sex relationships.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Things to remember

- If you have not done so already, please return your child's medical form for the residential trip. Many thanks to those who have done so already.
- Wednesday 22nd May at 8:20am: All parents are invited to a meeting about the exciting upcoming Digital Transformation at St James Prep, an initiative involving Years 4, 5 and 6 initially. The meeting will provide an opportunity for you to learn about how devices will be used to enhance teaching and learning, including hands-on demonstrations, and for you to ask about any queries you may have.