



ST JAMES
Preparatory School

4N Newsletter: Autumn Term, Week 1

This week in 4N...

It has been a fantastic start to the year in 4N, with the children bringing lots of enthusiasm and energy with them into the new term. We have launched into our new topic all about the Romans this week, challenging ourselves to use Roman numerals in Maths and even learning a Roman ball game in PE!

In Science, we have begun to learn about Electricity, exploring the school and searching for all the useful ways that we can use electrical power.

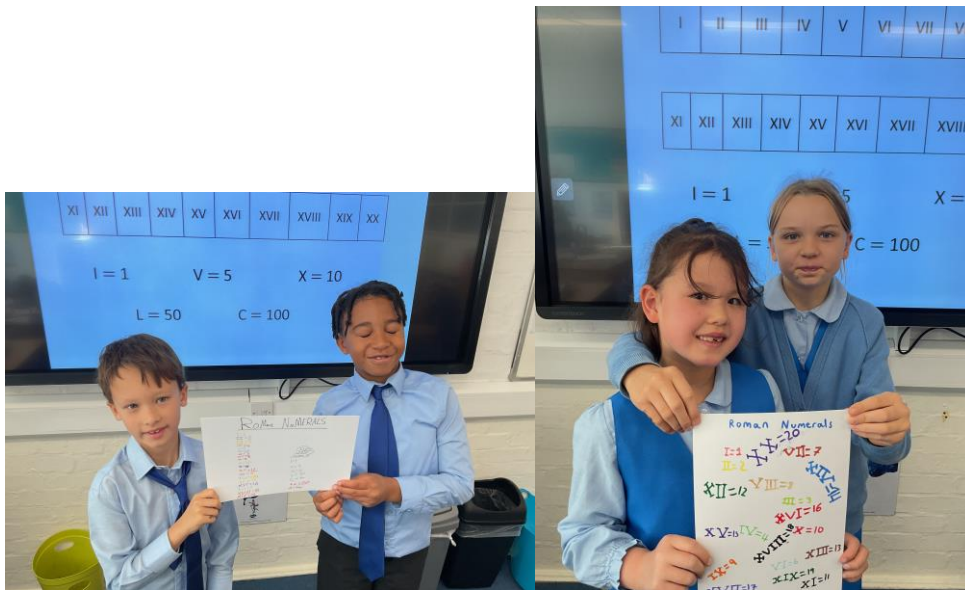
In English, we have started to explore adventure stories where the main characters have to find something. We had a mysterious package appear in our room to inspire our writing and we will spend the term planning and writing our own adventure stories.

Year 4 were very excited to unbox their iPads on Thursday of this week - they will be used to support learning in all subjects from now on, but balanced with plenty of paper and practical work too. There will be an opportunity for parents to attend a meeting about the safeguarding software on the new devices in the coming weeks. For now, the iPads will be staying in school.

It was lovely to see many of you on Wednesday for our year ahead parents meeting and the slides are attached to this email for your reference. Also attached, you can find the timetable for the term which we discussed at that meeting.

The children have been given their homework timetable and you can also find it attached to this email. Please do get in touch with me via the school office or on the playground with any questions.

Finally, I have attached a recommended reading list from Mrs Kourtis the librarian if you need some inspiration about suitable texts for Year 4.



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Things to remember

- We have Games every Tuesday and swimming every Thursday this half term. Children should come to school in their PE kit on Tuesday and bring their swimming bags (with towel, goggles and hat) on Thursdays. Every other day the children should come to school in full winter uniform.
- I am aware that there are many online logins to remember and use (see the attached slides for more information about the platforms we are using) - if

you ever have any trouble logging in or accessing those sites then please let me know via the office and I'm happy to help.

- We have the start of term service on Tuesday 17th September - can all children come to school in full uniform on this day and bring their PE kit in a bag to change into after the service.