

# WINHILLS Year 4 and Year 5 Fortnightly Newsletter

### **English**

In English, we continue to explore our text Deep Sea Voyage. The children wrote a very detailed set of instructions last week on how to prepare for a deep-sea dive and this week we have focused on our oral practical skills. Through this, the children have planned, written and performed a persuasive speech about the threats to our oceans. The children worked wonderfully in groups and when presenting their speeches in front of the class, they really impressed us with their confidence and presence.

### <u>Maths</u>

In Mrs Smith's Maths class, the children have continued to learn about angles and shapes. They used their knowledge of angles and measuring angles to identify angles in shapes. They then moved their learning on to identifying irregular and regular polygons by looking at the sides and angles of the given shapes.

In Mrs R's class the children have developed their knowledge of fractions. The children have been learning about tenths. They have identified tenths, counted in tenths and explored tenths greater than one whole.

In Mrs Burns' class, our new topic is about money and the children have enjoyed looking at different coins and notes. This week, the children have explored different values of money and have enjoyed using our resources to compare, order and convert pence into pounds through written decimal notation.

## **Science**

In Science, the children have learnt about how humans' actions can damage and destroy local habitats. For example: not throwing rubbish away correctly and starting fires etc. They also learnt about what we can do to make a difference. We discussed the use of litter picking, creating bug houses, gardening with care and much more.

# **Topic**

Over the last 2 weeks, the children have learnt about 'heroes' of the ocean. The children worked in groups and were given a 'hero' to research. They spent the first lesson researching their hero and then during the second lesson they worked together to present their findings to the rest of the class.

# **Reminders**

Please make sure your child has a <u>sun hat, a water bottle</u> and has <u>sun cream</u> on every day during the Summer Term.

Year 5 will continue to have **swimming** every Friday after half term.

Over half term, please continue to read daily and complete 45 minutes of Maths Whizz and 15 minutes of TT rockstars. Year 4 have their **multiplication checks** soon after half term so please get your child to continue practicing their sound checks.

The children return to school on **Tuesday** 6<sup>th</sup> June as the Monday is a teacher training day.

If you have any questions, please speak to the class teacher.





