

# WINHILLS Year 4 and Year 5 Fortnightly Newsletter

### **English**

This week, Year 4/5 finished the final chapter of their text the 'Pugs of the Frozen North' and have thoroughly enjoyed listening to the many twists and turns of the plot. The children now have the challenge of writing their own adventure stories and have been busy creating their main characters. Next week, the children will introduce their setting and will draft dialogue as the characters interact. The children have loved hearing all about Shen and Sika's quest to find the Snowfather. We can't wait to see their creative imagination flow as they finish the year showing off their amazing writing skills.

### <u>Maths</u>

In Mrs Burns' Maths class, the children have finished learning about time. This topic has included some interesting conversations about how we can use our knuckles to remember the days in each month and the children have enjoyed using calendars to explore a yearly cycle. Moving forward, our focus will be on statistics where we will be using our sports skills to measure the distances of our bean bag throws. We will then collect and plot our data. In Mrs Smith's Maths class, the children have began measuring angles using protractors. They have measured acute, obtuse, reflex and right angles. We will soon move onto drawing lines and angles accurately and we will calculate angles on a straight line and around a point. In Miss Newbury's Maths class, we have begun learning about time. The children have all made themselves a paper plate clock, which they have used to make representation of times to o'clock, half past, quarter to and quarter past.

## Science

Year 4 children have been learning about the types and functions of teeth. They have explored the different types of teeth in their mouths and have compared them to animal teeth.

Year 5 have recently covered puberty in their Science lessons. They looked at how both male and female bodies change during puberty.

# **Topic**

The children have started looking at different tribes who live in the rainforest in South America. They had to think about the similarities and differences between their lives and the lives of tribesmen. The children then completed a Venn Diagram to compare themselves to the tribe. Next, the children will write a comparison using techniques they have learnt about in English.

## **Reminders**

Reward day is fast approaching so please ensure your child is up to date with their Maths Whizz, TT and homework.

All children need a sun hat and water bottle in school at all times.

Sports day is Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July. Your child can come into school in their PE kit for this day. They will also need a water bottle and sun hat.

If you have any questions, please ask your class teacher.





