# Years 2, 3 and 4 Newsletter Friday 17th October 2014



## Literacy

**Year 2** have turned their attention to fiction texts. They have read a range of texts by Julia Donaldson and written character descriptions about Zog.

**Year 3** have been started a great new topic in Literacy this week, it is called Fairy tales and Folk tales. They have explored the key features of these and unpicked the stories to find out what makes them so great.

**Year 4** have now completed their nonchronological report topic by writing their own report about the Tudors. The children applied their learning about factual writing in paragraphs to complete super reports.

## **Numeracy**

**Year 2** have developed their addition methods over the past fortnight. They have been finding totals using number lines and numicon.

**Year 3** have been busy collecting data and presenting it in various different ways. They have also been working on their mental maths.

Year 4 have been impressive this week when using a written method for addition. The children presented their work fabulously to show how to add each place value correctly. The children then applied this learning to solving word problems involving money.

#### **Reminders**

Make sure you have booked your parents evening appointment for next week! There are still some slots left so just ask at the office.

Good attendance contributes to your child's success so well done to all of those children who have reached the half way point with 100%. All doors are open at 8:45. Arriving at school on time means the children can settle and get in the right mood for pro active learning.

#### Science

Year 2 have been investigating the changes that happen when heat is applied to a material. They used their five senses to make careful observations. The children have shown fabulous self control when melting chocolate.

**Year 3** have continued to investigate the secret life of plants.

**Year 4** have completed their learning about food chains and food webs and are now moving onto the last section of 'animals including humans' by exploring the uses of human teeth and how different food and acids can affect their teeth.