

Year 4

Message from Mrs Maynard and Mrs Lucas



Welcome back to a busy Term 2. In English this term we will be looking at 'Journey' by Aaron Becker and towards the end of the term (in the run-up to the festive season) 'The Snowman' by Raymond Briggs. We are planning to have a focus on writing as so far our attention has been on reading and oracy. In Maths we will begin to look at the four operations

Towards the end of term we will be getting into the spirit of the season with Christmas Jumper Day on **Thursday 11th December**, Christmas Dinner on **Wednesday 17th December**, a carol concert on **Thursday 18th December**, and Christmas parties on **Friday 19th December**.

You can find more details of our learning for this term on our overview but there is also a brief summary below.

Home Learning/Reminders

Reading practice should continue to take place daily at home - 15 minutes each day either on their own or to an adult.

Numbots and Times Table Rock Stars - again, 15 minutes daily would really support your child.

Some additional useful websites - 'Spell Frame', 'Maths Frame' and 'Rollama'

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Topics Term 2

Science: Sound

Humanities (History): The Battle of Hastings (1066)

French: Presenting Myself

Music: My Fantasy Football Team

PE: Gymnastics and Badminton

DT: Electrical Systems - Simple Circuits and Switches

Computing: Online Safety and Spreadsheets

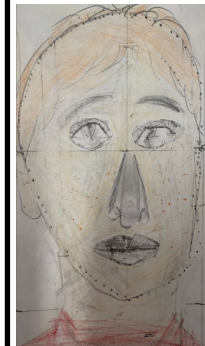
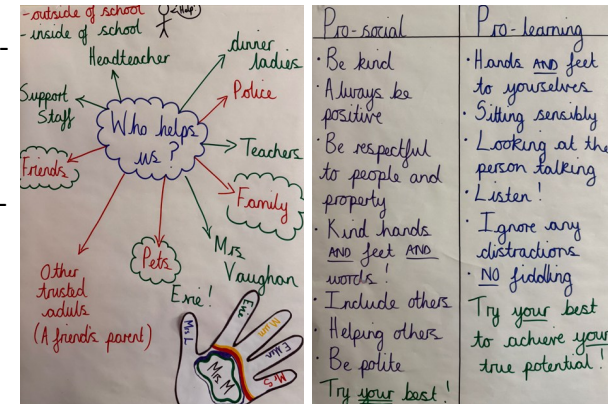
Wellbeing: 'Positive Relationships' inc. RSHE

RE: What do Hindus believe God is like?

Learning from last term...

Here is just a snippet of some of our learning from last term!

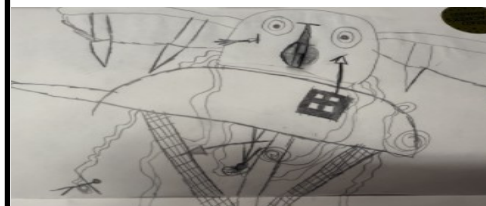
To kick off the year and as part of our 'Wellbeing Curriculum' we spent time thinking about 'Pro-Learning' and 'Pro-Social' behaviours. We also created our 'Helping Hands' - this has helped set up our learning behaviours for the year.



At the beginning of term we created self-portraits. We used tutorials to support us with sketching specific facial features. We also created split-face portraits to represent not only our looks but our personality traits and like/dislikes! On top of this we then worked with Mr O'Brien to create abstract portraits using artists like Pablo Picasso.



As part of our first Creative Friday of the year, we had a whole-school focus on the picture book 'Ocean Meets Sky' by The Fan Brothers. We focussed on sketching as a technique and re-created illustrations from the book. Some of us used these illustrations as a start-point in producing our own pictures.



In Geography, we have been looking at our surrounding area...we created sketch maps and looked at how a key is created and used!

