

Year 4



Dear Parents,

We have been so lucky to have some fantastic weather and be able to get outside as much as possible. It feels like the children have always been in Year 4 now and they are working hard and comfortable in asking for support when needed. Thank you to those parents who helped with

Forest School this week, Mrs Ward and I really appreciated it. The children missed it so much, they weren't interested in building Roman roads; they simply wanted to climb trees, get muddy and splash around in the stream.

This week in maths, the children were counting in jumps of one thousand from a variety of different numbers, in readiness for being able to add and subtract using 4 digits. They are confident with understanding the place value of each digit in a variety of numbers and were able to solve reasoning problems and add or subtract 10, 100 and 1000 mentally. Occasionally, a written method was required to solve ones such as: $4306 - 10$.

This week in English, the children were planning their own character to add to the original version of 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory.' They planned who their character was first, giving them a back history, then continued to think about how their character came to find a golden ticket. After planning and

Spellings this week: (TEN)

different, difficult, disappear,
occasion, opposite, possession,
possible, pressure, suppose, appear

(SEVEN)

move, pass, sure, hole, whole, would,
could

thinking about the kind of vocabulary they would use to describe their character's thoughts and feelings, the children wrote a recount of the moment the ticket was found. They were fantastic to read and there were some really whacky characters.

In DT, the children made a class display of Roman soldiers, with them as the soldiers. They had their picture taken, then made a helmet to go around their picture using a mosaic pattern. Once these are all finished, they will be displayed on the wall for our very own 'Wardle Garrison.'

In science, the children melted pieces of chocolate and then left them in the fridge over night to solidify again. This allowed them to understand states of matter and to see that changes can be reversible in some instances. It also allowed the children to have fun and link this to their planning in English, by making a small chunk of one of the chocolate recipes the children came up with last week.

With thanks,

Mrs Wardle and Mrs Ward