



YEAR 4, Term 3



Through the Wardrobe

Dear Parents and Carers,

This term our topic will be based around the themes of changes of state and the polar regions therefore this term we will definitely have a cold feel.

English will be linked to the 'The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe' by C.S. Lewis which is part of the 'Narnia' series of books. As well as reading the book as a class, we would like to launch our topic with an afternoon viewing of 'Narnia' on Friday 11th January until 4:00. Alongside this, we will be carrying out practical science around changing materials, while also touching on climates by looking at polar landscapes. Our topic will include:

- Reading descriptive settings and understanding how writers create imaginary worlds. Using figurative language to write our own settings.
- Reading and writing character descriptions, in terms of both physical and personality attributes.
- Discussing and writing descriptive poetry around the theme of 'winter'.
- Looking at solids, liquids and gases and how some materials change state when heated or cooled. Using thermometers to provide measurements in practical science.
- Conducting investigations around evaporation and condensation, and relating this to the water cycle.
- Looking at lines of latitude and longitude and climatic differences across the Earth. Comparing the North and South Poles in terms of temperatures, seasonal changes, landscape and wildlife.
- Looking at the use of viewfinders in Art.

PE this term will comprise of dance and tag rugby, taking place on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Please ensure that children have appropriate outside clothing for the colder weather and remember a change of socks for girls wearing tights. During RE, we will be trying to answer the question: Could the Buddha's teachings make the world a better place? PSHEE will include goal setting and aspirations for the world.

- **Times Tables** - Please continue to practise tables to ensure that speed and agility are kept up.
- **Reading books** and accompanying learning log books should be returned to school each day.
- **Spelling** – Please continue working on spellings at home using a range of strategies and let us know when you and your child feel they are ready to be tested.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact us via:

admin@christchurch.wilts.sch.uk . We are looking forward to an other exciting term ahead.

David Hardwick and Helen Rutt

As winter takes hold, please ensure your child brings a coat for the playground.

Cake Bake Money

As always, thank you very much for your continued support particularly when donating, selling, and buying cakes. Monies raised so far, have enabled us to be visited by 'Viking Tom', a day enjoyed hugely by the children.