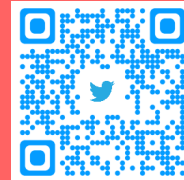




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Hello everyone

We have lots going on next month, so please make a note of these important dates coming up:

Monday 2nd December 8.45-9.30am — Time to Talk coffee morning for all parents/carers

Monday 2nd December — 4AA & 4NG visit to the Buddhist Temple

Thursday 5th December — 4TW & 4SH visit to the Buddhist Temple

Friday 6th December — Christmas Jumper Day (wear a cozy jumper for a 50p charity donation)

Monday 9th December — Phonics information session for parents

Tuesday 17th December — Y3 & Y5 Christmas Dinner Day

Wednesday 18th December — Y4 & Y6 Christmas Dinner Day

Friday 20th December 9am — Year 3 Christmas Nativity Assembly

Friday 20th December — Christmas Party afternoon (all children can wear their own warm clothes!)



Monday 6th January — TEACHER TRAINING DAY (School closed to ALL children)

Tuesday 7th January 8.30am — ALL children return to school

Tuesday 7th January 8.45-9.30am — Time to Talk coffee morning for all parents/carers

Have a great weekend everyone and stay warm!

Cathy Grace, Headteacher

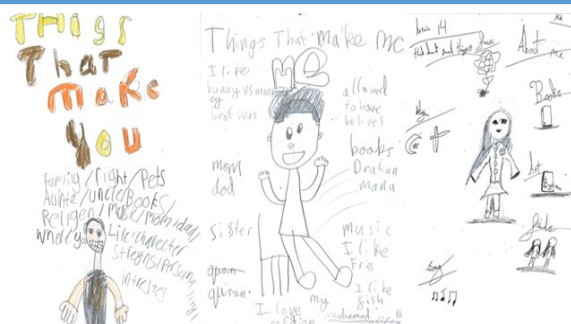
ARTICLE OF THE WEEK



Article 14

In 4TW, we discussed the different aspects of our lives that impact and influence our lives. The children drew a picture to show how their lives are different.

Zaydan in 4TW said, "You should be allowed to have beliefs and you should respect others' beliefs even if they are not yours."



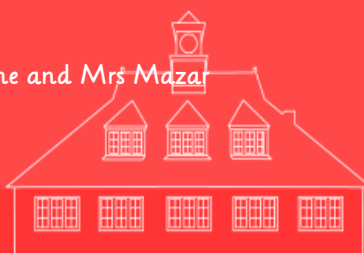
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Article 14 (freedom of thought, belief and religion)

Every child has the right to think and believe what they choose and also to practise their religion, as long as they are not stopping other people from enjoying their rights. Governments must respect the rights and responsibilities of parents to guide their child as they grow up.

FREEDOM OF THOUGHT AND RELIGION

Headteacher - Mrs Cathy Grace
Deputy Headteacher - Mr Mason
Assistant Headteachers - Mrs Biddle-Rawbone and Mrs Mazar
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Year 3

Year 3 have been incredibly busy this week, creating hanging Christmas decorations. Over the last few weeks, our **Design Technology** lessons focused on investigating product designs, evaluating types of fabrics, making colour choices, as well as annotating our sketches. Our festive decorations had to be stitched together, so we developed our sewing skills too! It's been fun learning new techniques to transform our 2D design into a 3D product.

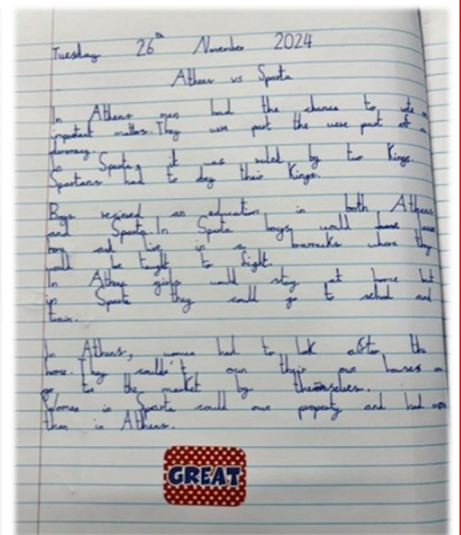
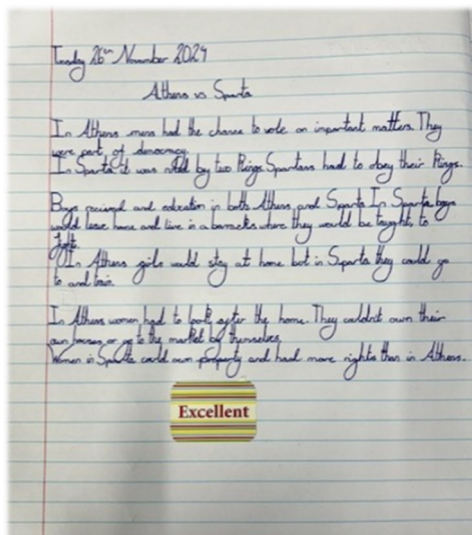


Year 4

Year 4 have been learning about the city states in **Ancient Greece**, including **Athens and Sparta**.

We have enjoyed learning about the rivalry between these two states, and compared ways of life for civilians during this period in history.

We learnt about the differences in education, democracy and the rights of men and women in each city-state.



Athens



Sparta



ANCIENT GREECE c. 300-150 BC





Round 1 – Times Tables Rockstar Competition

The first round of Thornton's Times Tables Rockstar competition has now drawn to a close. As can be seen below, there have been some excellent class and individual performances. Over the course of the year there will be two further group rounds, and a knock-out stage. So, there is still a long way to go, and still plenty of individual prizes to be won, before we can hand over the overall the trophy. In the meantime, our pupils will be practising for the next round, which starts on Monday 20th January 2025.

Mr Mason – Deputy Headteacher/Maths Lead

Year 3

Position	Team	Points	Top Scorer
1 st	Celtic (3ST)	4	Ayaan A
2 nd	Borussia Dortmund (3MJ)	3	Fatima Z
3 rd	Sporting Lisbon (3SQ)	2	Falak H
4 th	Feyenoord (3GJ)	1	Zaynab B

Year 4

Position	Team	Points	Top Scorer
1 st	Bayern Munich (4NG)	4	Subhan N
2 nd	Monaco (4SH)	3	Tayaab S
3 rd	Atalanta (4TW)	2	Hibba I
4 th	Club Brugge (4AA)	1	Ruqqayah S

Year 5

Position	Team	Points	Top Scorer
1 st	Real Madrid (5ZY)	4	Mustafa A
2 nd	Inter Milan (5BA)	3	Aiza M
3 rd	R B Leipzig (5ST)	2	Musa Q
4 th	Juventus (5TR)	1	Aisha B

Year 6

Position	Team	Points	Top Scorer
1 st	AC Milan (6HB)	4	Essa M
2 nd	B. Leverkusen (6ZB)	3	Ibraheem M
3 rd	Barcelona (6NI)	2	Ayo D
4 th	Paris Saint Germain(6MF)	1	Isa I

School Attendance



Class Attendance

Well done to **4TW** who achieved our school attendance target of 97% and above for last week.

Our school attendance last week was 92.4%

Reporting Absences to school

If your child is absent from school please call or leave a message on the school absence answering machine before 9am to let us know the reason. Please provide school with as much detail as possible about your child's absence. If you need to discuss your child's symptoms with a first aider please request a call back. Please ring the school office on **0121 327 0824** our lines are open from 8am. Thank you very much for your support.



PE TIMETABLE

Monday 2nd December
Year 4

Tuesday 3rd December
Swimming for 4NG and 4AA.
4NG MUST be in school
for 8.25am

Wednesday 4th December
Year 3

Thursday 5th December
Year 5

Friday 6th December
Year 6

Christmas Lunches

Our annual Christmas Lunch will be held on the **Tuesday 17th December and Wednesday 18th December** for all the pupils that have a school meal. If your child usually brings a packed lunch to school and would like to order the Christmas lunch, please complete and return the booking form to the class teacher before **Friday 6th December**. The cost is £2.60 per meal and will need to be paid using ParentPay our online payment system.



Dinner Money

Over the coming weeks, we shall be contacting parents whose dinner debt is over £26.00 to clear the debt. All meals must be paid for in advance or by the end of the week at the latest. Payments must be made on Parentpay, we will accept cash payments if you can not access Parentpay.

Dinner money is £2.60 per day and £13 per week.

Breakfast Club is £2.50 per day and £1.00 for any siblings.

After school club is £4.00 per day and £2.00 for any siblings.

There is a late pickup charge (£4) for pupils picked up after 4pm.

Pupil Collection

We understand that sometimes you may have to ask someone else to collect your child from school instead of yourself, however, recently we have been receiving calls from parents/carers as late as 3:35pm!

This is too late! Please can you ensure that if you want someone else to collect your child you, must call the school **no later than 3:10pm**, this is so that we can make sure the information gets to the class teacher in good time and we can follow all the necessary checks to keep your child safe and dismissed to the correct person at home time.

Thank you for your support with this, it is valued.

