



Just To Let You Know

Friday 5th June



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back for the final half term of Year 4! Our children have settled back in well and made a great start with their learning.

English

This week, the children revisited apostrophes through retrieval practice before focusing on using them to show possession, including singular, plural and collective nouns. They also built descriptive writing skills by expanding adjective noun phrases and using a picture stimulus to generate rich vocabulary. They wrote a paragraph describing what could be seen, heard and felt, using fronted adverbials and carefully chosen language to create atmosphere.

Spellings This week we have revisited common homophones (same sound, different spelling and meaning)

for Mon 8th June: *there, their, they're, to, two, too, your, you're, write, right.*

Maths

Across the week, children explored time by learning key facts, reading analogue clocks and converting between analogue, digital, 12-hour and 24-hour formats, including understanding am and pm. They applied this knowledge in real-life contexts such as bus timetables and designing their own bus routes, combining time and money skills to solve practical problems.

PSHE

This week we focused on water safety, using resources produced by the RNLI. Children learned the four key water safety rules: Stop and Think, Stay Together, Float and Call 999/112. They explored hazards, practised responses and understood how to stay safe around water.

Geography

This week we learned about the journey of a river. This included the various stages and features, including source, tributaries, meanders and mouth. They applied this knowledge by creating and annotating their own river journey map.

River Wey Day trip

To round off the week of our residential trip, we will finish with a river walk on **Friday 26th June**. This will be a lovely day trip along the River Wey to St Catherine's Lock, filled with fun activities and outdoor learning. We need lots of volunteers for this one, so please give your time freely if you are willing to join in on this day.

Notices:

- **MTC** (multiplication check) From Monday 8th June, we will be completing our times tables checks in small groups throughout the week. The children have been practising on the Gov website this week, and are feeling confident. Please encourage your child with their times tables at home!
- **PANTS** – next week we will be exploring the NSPCC's 'Talk PANTS' resources. This is a simple conversation to help keep children safe from sexual abuse. You can view resources at www.nspcc.org.uk/pants Please feel free to contact your child's teacher if you have any particular questions regarding this.
- River Trip volunteers **Friday 26th June** – please let your child's teacher know if you can help.

Have a lovely weekend,
The Year 4 Team.