

## Trengrouse Newsletter, Wednesday 24th May 2017

Hi there. I hope you all have a lovely half term break! Below is some learning that will help set the children up for our new topic, '*A Place for Everything*' after half term. I look forward to seeing everybody on Monday 5th June, after the break.

### **English/Topic**

#### Half term Diary

At the beginning of the next topic, our English lessons look at recount texts. Over half term, the children should keep a daily diary of their experiences which they can share in the first week after the holidays.

#### Pet Care

Our topic also looks at groups of animals and how they are classified...if your child has a pet, or you know somebody who does, it would be great for the children to note some key features of how they are looked after—they could include this in one or more of their diary entries.

### **Maths**

To keep their brains fresh and ready for the new learning in the final term, the children should spend 5-10 minutes each day practising basic mental calculations and associated facts as shown below. This can be done through notations and jottings, mental and oral games (times table splat) and through the excellent online games (examples shared in previous home-learning sheets).

- Mental times table recall (speed and accuracy across x2 to x12)
- Related multiplication and division facts (i.e.)  
 $8 \times 5 = 40$ ,  $80 \times 50 = 4000$ ,  $4000 \div 50 = 80$ , etc...
- Number bonds from 10 up to 10,000! (i.e.)  $3 + 7 = 10$ ,  $30 + 70 = 100$ ,  $300 + 700 = 1000$ ,  $3000 + 7000 = 10000$ .
- Doubling and halving TU, HTU, THHTU and higher! (i.e.)  $15 \times 2 = 30$ ,  $150 \times 2 = 300$ ;  $15 \div 2 = 7.5$ ,  $150 \div 2 = 75$ ...

<b>Spellings</b>	<u>Year 4</u> 'igh'	<u>Extra Challenge</u>
	Bright, sight, might, light, tight, height, right, slight, night, height.	kindness – unkindness
		happiness – unhappiness
		likely – unlikely
		natural – unnatural
		patient – impatient

Choose at least 5 spellings from either list and practise spelling them. Then, create up-levelled sentences for each of the chosen five, using a variety of punctuation and sentence types.

#### Diary Dates...

1. Have a lovely half term break—the children are due back on Monday 5th June 2017. Also, please note that home-learning sheets are posted on our class blog on the school website!
2. Class assembly/Open afternoon DATE CHANGE - Due to swimming, our open afternoon will take place on Thursday 6th July. More details will follow closer to the date.

Next week's debate topic is '*football is a game for boys*'

## Additional notes for diaries...

1. KS2 Sports' Day will take place on the afternoon of Wednesday 14th June - scheduled start time is 1:15pm.
2. **SWIMMING** - Those children that swam with Trish this week, or who have been in the deepest end of the pool for the sessions so far, will need to come with clothes to swim in on the first Tuesday after half term: shorts and a shirt - pyjamas - are a good option. Trish will be doing some survival skills with this group.
3. Week beginning 12th June is Relationships week - more details will follow after the holiday.
4. Thursday 15th June - FOPs are holding a Fathers' Day pop up shop in school in the morning.
5. Monday 19th June - Class photos are being taken on this day.

HAVE A LOVELY HALF TERM BREAK! SEE YOU ON MONDAY 5TH  
JUNE!