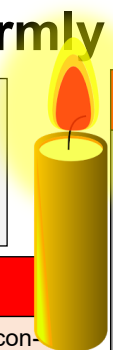


Welcome Back

Welcome to term 4. Looking back to the last term, I am really proud of so much of the work that went on in class. I am sure you will agree, if you saw it on the school's social media, that the children created some fantastic art work. Also some really great writing was created in the children's explanation writing about their own creatures and in science the children enjoyed investigating forces. Our unfair trade lesson in geography was definitely a memorable one, with the children furious when a hurricane attacked their resources! Looking forward, SATs is drawing ever closer for year 6 so please do contact me with any questions or concerns that you may have— my email is: f.wason@cottingham.pdet.org.uk.



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Collective Worship

Collective worship will take place this year on a Monday and a Wednesday, with our celebration worship taking place on a Friday as always. We would love to have parents come along so please do! We will also have class worship on a Tuesday and a Thursday. Our theme for this term is respect and empathy. Please click on the following webpage to find details of collective worship in our school and you will also be able to find our termly planner to see themes for each week. <http://www.cottinghamprimary.co.uk/Content/documents/ChristianValues/>



Homework

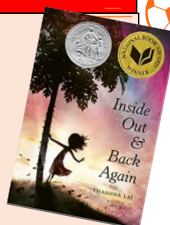
This year in Hawthorn, maths homework will continue to be set via MyMaths every Friday, to be completed by the following Friday. **Spellings** and use of the **Times Tables Rock Stars** site is also part of our set homework each week. Rapid recall of the multiplication tables is vital for the children's maths work this year.

Homework ideas

As we do not give out a great deal of compulsory homework, we also like to share some of ideas of activities that will support the children's learning in the wider curriculum this term. In our history work this term, we are finding out about the Mayan civilization. For some creative ideas, the children could try creating some Mayan jewellery using cardboard, foil and gems. They could also compare to what Mesoamerica is like today. They could plan an expedition to try to discover the remaining Mayan ruins that some believe still exist in the heart of the rain forest. Like cooking? Prepare a meal using Mayan ingredients! These could include tortillas, avocados, beans, squash and root vegetables. For science please investigate the Origin of the Species book.

Book recommendation

We are a school that loves reading and as such we are going to be recommending a book for the children to read. This term I have chosen *Inside Out and Back Again* by Thanhha Lai. A #1 New York Times bestseller, inspired by the author's childhood experience as a refugee—fleeing Vietnam after the Fall of Saigon and immigrating to Alabama—this coming-of-age debut novel told in verse has been celebrated for its touching child's-eye view of family and immigration.



Spellings lists for year 5 and 6 are available on the Microsoft Teams site and are also sent via parent mail. Please ensure children are practicing

Quest: Mayan Civilisation

In this quest, children will discover the delights of the Mayan Civilisation. They will find out about the history of it through a range of sources and compare with different ancient civilisations of the time, including the civilization taking place in Britain and their previous learning on the Egyptians. They will then use that they have found out to create their own Mayan temple in DT.

Significant person

Sir Isaac Newton, an English mathematician, physicist, astronomer, theologian, and author who is widely recognised as one of the most influential scientists of all time and as a key figure in the scientific revolution. He developed the principles of modern physics, including the laws of motion and is credited as one of the great minds of the 17th-century Scientific Revolution.



PE days

This term, PE in Hawthorn will take place on a Tuesday and a Thursday. As last year, Children should come to school wearing their PE kits and a tracksuit on top if wished. No jewellery please.



A.O.B.

- 22nd Feb— pancake making day
- 28th Feb— Sarah Morell author visit
- 2nd March— World Book Day
- 8th March— Ninja Warrior sports event
- Wb 27th March— Year 5 bikeability
- 30th March— end of term
- Wb 8th May— SATs week (tests Tuesday to Friday)