## SAACACACA 4 <br> Thursday 17th November



## AN AMAZING TERM OF LEARNING IN YEAR 4!



In Maths, we have been exploring methods of addition and subtraction before identifying multiplication facts. The children in Year 4 were given the opportunity to explore creating fact families using their understanding of commutative operations, the times tables and their relationships.

In English, Year 4 have been looking at discussion texts. We began by looking at our model text about whether The Terracotta Army should be destroyed, linking in to our humanities topic of the Shang Dynasty. We then used this model text by extracting the key features before imitating them in our very own guided write. The children were eventually given the
 opportunity to research the reasons for or against the destruction of the army before planning, preparing and draft their own discussion text using the relevant features. These pieces of work turned out great and l'm sure there are many more discussions we can delve into! We have now begun and nearly finished our next topic of a suspense narrative.


In October, Year 4 took part in a range of different activity days in preparation for the Qatar 2022 World Cup. We also created some wonderful artwork for a FIFA World Cup themed competition. It was great to see the unity and enthusiasm displayed by both the staff and children throughout!


# ISAAC AND THE APPLE NEWS notes from the leadership team 

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## WHAT A FANTASTIC FIRST TERM OF THE SCHOOL YEAR!

If the first half of Term 1 was jam packed full of fun learning opportunities, then the second half of the term can only be described as being bursting with excitement and outstanding learning.

Hopefully you have noticed the newsletter name change. This was the result of a competition between the classes. Each class came up with multiple suggestions for a newsletter name before democratically voting for their favourite. Each classes' suggestion was then added to a voting form and pupils got to vote for their favourite name from all the fantastic entries. In the end they chose Isaac and the
 Apple News which was suggested by Year 5 Turquoise. Congratulations to Year 5 Turquoise and well done to all the other classes for their imaginative newsletter names.

This half term our playground has taken on a new look at break times. There is now a variety of different break time activity zones set up for KS1 and KS2. Year 1 and 2 pupils have enjoyed solving our giant puzzle as well as trying to correctly identify different countries,
 continents and ocean on our world map. Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 pupils have gathering together in our Pokémon card trading zone to try and 'catch them all'. The basketball hoops have also proved popular for KS2 pupils and we look forward to seeing improved skills being used in PE lessons and Mr McGrath and Mr Kennedy's after school club next term.


This half term we have celebrated the values of citizenship, personal accountability, honesty and individual liberty. We held our second house competition which saw pupils complete a FIFA World Cup themed STEM challenge as part of our World Cup celebration week.

Thank you for all your support and cooperation this term. We wish you safe travels if you are flying out of Doha for the break or if you are staying, we hope you enjoy the World Cup festivities.
Important Dates:
Monday 2nd January - First day of Term 2
Sunday 8th January - Book Week
Monday 9th January - After-school clubs begin
Sunday 15th January - Arabic Week
Sunday 22nd January - International Week
Tuesday 14th February - National Sports Day (school closed)
Tuesday 21st February - After-school clubs end
Thursday 9th March - End of Term 2

## TOP OF THE CLASS!

The top 3 classes with the best attendance $\%$ this half term are.....

1) 3 Gold - $97.7 \%$
2) 4 Silver - $96.2 \%$
3) 4 Gold - $95.5 \%$

Well done on your super attendance.

## TOP OF THE CLASS!

The top 3 classes with the best attendance $\%$ the whole term are.....

1) 3 Gold - $96.8 \%$
2) 4 Silver $-96.7 \%$
3) 2 Bronze - $94.5 \%$
