College Town Primary School

"Be the best that you can be."

Year 4
Curriculum Newsletter

October 2026

We have enjoyed getting to know all the children and hearing about their holidays.

In English we have been reading "Frindleswylde", a story about people discovering friendship and warmth before writing fantastic sequels to the story. We also dedicated a week to poetry in aid of National Poetry Day on 1st October. The children learned about and wrote a variety of different poems including an ode, an acrostic poem and a haiku!

This half term in Maths, the children have been recapping, learning and consolidating their knowledge of place value, addition and subtraction. We have added and subtracted three and four digit numbers and practised exchanging.

In Art the children used new shading techniques to add texture to their drawings of their new class animals.

In Science, we have been learning about the teeth of carnivores, herbivores and omnivores (including humans). The children made models of human teeth and learned the names and function of each type. We ended the topic by creating a class model of the human digestion system.

In History we have investigated how children's lives have changed throughout history, concentrating on the lives of Tudor and Victorian children compared to children today.

Dates for the diary:

Tuesday 20th October— Parents Evening

Thursday 22nd October— Parents Evening

Monday 26th —Friday 30th October
Half term

Monday 2nd November— inset day

Reminders

Please ensure that your child brings in their reading book and record every day and try to read at home and sign the record at least 3 times a week.

Year 4 PE sessions will be on Tuesday. As it gets colder, please ensure your child has black jogging bottoms, a PE top and a black hooded top.

Your child has been given a sheet of KIRFs to learn at home. These are Key Instant Recall Facts; Maths facts that support all areas of Maths. Please help and encourage your child to learn these as it will deepen their understanding of all areas of Maths. They will get a new set each half term.

Spelling words are sent home on Friday, the children then do a spelling test on these words the following Friday. Please assist your child to practise their spelling.

MyMaths homework is set weekly and needs to be completed.

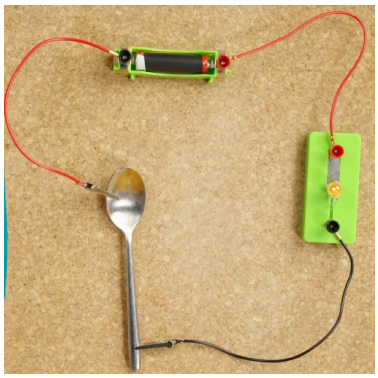
Don't forget to look at our school website: https://www.collegetownprimary.com/ for any updates.

This term we will be learning…..



In Geography we will be learning about why rainforests are important to us.

In English, we will be reading “Weslandia” by Paul Fleischman where the children will be writing a narrative about an imagined land. We will then read ‘The Iron Man’ by Ted Hughes (not Marvel’s Tony Spark!) where we will be creating news bulletins and letters of advice.



Our Science focus for the half term is electricity and circuits.

In Maths, the children will be learning about area and multiplication and division. We will also be consolidating and building on topics learnt in the previous term.

Pictures from our learning this half term

