

Grade 4/5 Newsletter

October 2005



Providenciales Primary

The term so far

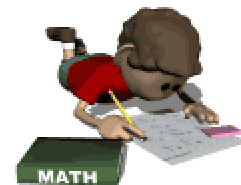
The term has started well, the children really enjoyed being part of the Terry Fox run. Thank you to everyone for the contributions you made, it was for a very worthwhile cause and as Terry Fox once said "if you have contributed just one dollar then you are part of the Marathon of Hope." Our class has also been part of the Friday assembly. We talked about schools in Kenya and how they differed from our school. This led us to talk about things that the children were thankful for, thinking particularly about our school. All the comments the children made are part of a display in the Turtle room, which is well worth a look!! Also a quick reminder that the clubs start this month, so if your child is interested in any please make sure you sign up soon!

Literacy: This month we have been writing recounts about a man's expedition up K2. We have also been looking at instructions and will be writing our own set of instructions this week, describing how to play a game the children are familiar with. We'll then have some fun trying them out on each other.

Numeracy: So far this term we have been focusing on multiplication, fractions and word problems. These topics have been reflected in the homework. It is important that the children continue to practice their times tables as this is something that is so important in any part of Numeracy. We are also working on these in class.

Science: The grade 4/5 have been working with Mr. Michael and looking at Gases all around. They have been preparing and carrying experiments.

Homework: The children have been working hard on their homework. I have been impressed with the standard of their work. Well done!



Other subjects

Our other subjects are progressing well. In **ICT** the children have been learning how to write formulae using Excel. In **D&T** they have been planning money containers. This week we will start to make them using the plans the children have prepared. In **Social Studies** we have enjoyed looking at Morecambe and comparing it to Provo. The children have been particularly shocked by the beach in my home town, which is slightly different to what they are used to here! We have also been looking at Turks and Caicos and the wider world, which the children have enjoyed. They have been using the internet as an aid to our research. As part of our **Citizenship** program we are going to be preparing and having a debate on fox hunting, and discussions for and against will be prepared. This topic will focus on the preparation of an argument but also improving the children's listening and group work skills.

Happy Birthday
this month to
Alexis on the 4th
October and Coral
on the 5th October. They will both be
turning 10. Hope you both have a great
day!



Reading

I sent a letter home earlier this month about reading, however some children are still not recording their reading regularly in their books. It is really important that you are encouraging your child to read at home as well as in school. The children are expected to read for at least 100 minutes a week, which can be spread over the 7 days.

Open evening - 7th October

I would also like to take this opportunity to remind you about the open evening on Friday, 7th October at 6pm. It would be great to see as many parents coming along as possible. Some of the children will be showing parents what they have learnt, there will be an opportunity to learn more about what your child is doing in school and there will also be some entertainment and refreshments.

Thank you for your continued support and have a great month!
Kind regards,
Mrs. Sara.

