**What we have been up to this week in UKS2**

**Year 5:** This week in Mathematics, children have been using both mental and written methods for addition and subtraction. These arithmetic skills have then been applied to a variety of reasoning questions and problem solving activities.

In English this week children have started to read ‘Street Child’ a novel set during the Victorian era. This will be the text from which children will write a variety of pieces in the coming weeks.

In Science Year 5 have been learning about life cycles and thoroughly enjoyed dissecting plants and flowers.

Y**ear 6:** This week in Math sessions with Mr Graham, Year 6 have been working with negative numbers and calculating problems that involve crossing the zero boundary. We are now moving on to practising our arithmetic skills and ensuring all our pupils are competent with the four operations of mathematics.

In English with Mr Johnson, children have been learning a variety of skills that will help them with next week’s assessed writing – a newspaper article. Children have been identifying the difference between fact and opinion along with ensuring they can punctuate direct speech perfectly.

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**Homework**

**Year 5** Maths – Mathletics activities (usernames in journals)

Spelling Shed.

**Year 6** Maths – Mathletics activities (Usernames in journals)

English – Comprehension activity and spellings (Tested on Wednesday)

**Year 4**

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**Timestables**

Knowing all times tables is a national target for the end of year 4 and is crucial if children are going to make excellent progress in our key stage.

We ask that all parents continue to practice and test times tables with their children to ensure fluency.

The website for children to practise is:

<https://ttrockstars.com/login>

**Notices**

**Reminder for our Year 6 parents that the deadline for high school applications is the 31st of October.**

There will be no netball club after school this Monday but it will resume the following week.

Friday 27th – Macmillan Coffee Morning 9.15am (Donations welcomed)

**General Reminders**

* Please contact our school office with regards to places at after-school club.
* Thank you to all parents who are parking sensibly before and after school, it helps to keep everyone safe!
* Chair of governors Eddie Roberts can be contacted by email – [chair@pikefold.manchester.sch.uk](mailto:chair@pikefold.manchester.sch.uk)
* Family engagement officer: Mrs J. Gallimore. Tel: 0161 795 4614
* As ever, if you have any questions then you can email the KS2 team at [KS2@pikefold.manchester.sch.uk](mailto:KS2@pikefold.manchester.sch.uk) .