

YEAR 4

CLASSROOM NEWS

APRIL, 2019



LOOKING
SHARP



APRIL HIGHLIGHTS

SCIENCE

We have continued to study the skeletal and muscular system. We have created a model of the arm to show how muscles work in pairs.

Did you know? Fingers do not have muscles. They are moved by tendons attached to muscles in the forearms.

SOCIAL STUDIES

In Social Studies, we continued exploring different themes of Ancient Greece. We were all really excited to design and participate in our very own mini Olympics, after finding out all about how it first began. Many ancient cities were represented, including Sparta and Athens, but Megara took first place overall.

ENGLISH

In English, the main genre we have been exploring has been Historical and Realistic Fiction. We briefly studied *Oliver Twist*, set in the 19th century, and how life was in the workhouses. However, *The Secret Garden* is the main novel we will continue to read and explore over the next month.

MATH

In Math, we focused on numbers and problems, in particular, finding different strategies to add and subtract. We had a lot of fun playing games in pairs or small groups, especially "Cops and Robbers". Also, we have started the topic Measurement and enjoyed estimating different objects and measuring them to see how close we got.

UP NEXT MONTH

SCIENCE & SOCIAL STUDIES

- Social Studies
- Focus Geography (using maps)
- Science
- Solids, Liquids and Gases

ENGLISH

- Writing Stories
- *The Secret Garden*
- Stories with issues or dilemmas
- Ongoing reading, writing and handwriting

MATH

- Numbers and problem solving (continuously)
- Metric units
- Measurement
- Handling Data