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Tiger class

Dear Parents and carers

Welcome back to the second part of the autumn term. We've had another great week in tiger class and we're looking forward to lots of exciting things happening as we head towards the festive season.

English

We have now finished our last unit of *The Jabberwocky* by Lewis Carroll. The children loved exploring the language of this poem and I'm so proud of their effort particularly because the language is incredibly difficult. Our new English unit will be based on a text called *Cinnamon* by Neil Gaiman. We will be using our reading skills to make predictions about the text as well as using a range of grammatical devices to describe characters and settings. Here is the blurb taken from the back of the book:

"One day a tiger came to the palace. He was huge and fierce, a nightmare in black and orange, and he moved like a god through the world, which is how tigers move. The people were afraid. "Now I am here to teach the girl-cub to talk" (Neil Gaiman)

Maths

We have now moved onto our new unit of maths which is multiplication and division. We will be learning how to use efficient strategies to quickly recall all multiplication and division facts up to 12×12 . We will also be looking at how to use partitioning and short multiplication to multiply larger numbers. Next year, all children in year 4 in the UK will be given an official times tables test which they will complete on iPads or laptops. We will have lots of opportunities to practice for this test in school; however it is essential that the children also practice at home. Please encourage your child to use Times Table Rockstars as often as possible. Well done to those children who are currently at or near the top of the TT Rockstars leader board.

Science

This half term, our Science topic will be the second part of *Animals Including Humans*. We will be exploring the human digestive system, teeth and food chains. By the end of our unit, children will be able to identify parts of the human digestive and label the different teeth, as well as describe their functions. Children will also be able to construct and describe the features of simple animal food chains.

Remembrance Day

As part of our history theme week, all key stages will be learning about the world wars. Years 3 and 4 will focus on *The Second World War in Liverpool*. We will be learning about why Liverpool was targeted, the Liverpool Blitz, evacuation from Liverpool and soldiers from Liverpool. If you have any interesting facts or information about your relatives who may have fought in the war, please send this into school- we'd love to hear about it.

Dates for your diary

Monday 11th November- Remembrance Day (children will observe a minute's silence to commemorate this event)

Wednesday 13th November- Parent's Evening

Once again, thank you for your continued support and don't forget to follow our class page on Twitter to see our amazing work
[@MrsKWilliamsC10](https://twitter.com/MrsKWilliamsC10)

Yours sincerely,

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