

**Our Values**  
Respect, Kindness, Resilience,  
Integrity, Honesty and Trust



- Our Pledge**
- Listen and Learn
  - Do your best
  - Look after each other
  - Look after our school

## Year 4 Newsletter Spring 1 2024

This half term Year 4 has been completing subjects in our major topics and starting other projects.

In **Maths** we completed **Multiplication and Division** - all the while concentrating on learning our multiplication tables by heart. The class took part in the MTC challenge and gained 1<sup>st</sup> place in our local group and 8<sup>th</sup> out of 1,200 nationally. A brilliant achievement! We also enjoyed a fun Number Day in school, shown in the photos below.



In **Literacy** we have been reading Varjak Paw. Varjak has to use the Way to survive in a city full of dangerous dogs, cat gangs and, strangest of all, the Vanishings. We have been creating our own characters and engaging the children through storytelling and the emerging message of the importance of friendship and loyalty.

We enjoyed a great topic in **Science** about **Animals including Humans**. This included a study of teeth, food chains and food webs. We enjoyed a lesson on this topic at Our Lady's Secondary School.



Our current subject is **Living Things and their Habitats**.

This half-term we have started our study of **Rivers and the Water Cycles** in **Geography** which has taken the place of History in this term.

In **ICT** we have been learning about internet Safety and using our new Program called Purple Mash which is a creative educational website for children. Used by thousands of schools, it is

a cross-curricular resource covering art to science and all subjects in between. Children can access Purple Mash from home on a laptop, desktop or a tablet and all children have their own login and password.

In P.E children have been playing Rugby with Steve and Mary from Hackney Rugby Football Club. They have been focusing on fostering fundamental skills and physicality for children, whilst nurturing the values that underpin the game. Teamwork, respect, discipline, enjoyment and sportsmanship are all fundamental skills for rugby and the children have been really enjoying themselves. Why not take a look at the Hackney Rugby Football Club for their events and activities: <https://www.hackneyrffc.co.uk/teams>