



# St Mary's Catholic Primary School

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Diocese of Plymouth

18<sup>th</sup> January 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

**RE:** This week we have explored the important role of angels and the messages they conveyed during the Christmas story. We have looked at messages that need to be transmitted in our world today and designed short speeches to present to the class. Next week we will start work on our new topic, Revelations.

**Maths:** This week the children have been multiplying and dividing by 1 and 0. They have multiplied one and two digit numbers and will progress onto multiplying three numbers. Next week we will be moving on to multiplying numbers with multiples of 10 and multiplying 2 digit numbers.

Thank you to the parents who spotted the mistakes we made last week, we apologise for not proof reading our work accurately and hopefully there are less (or none) today. Interestingly, the focus of Wednesday afternoon was how to develop ways of increasing a 'Growth Mindset' through Resilience, Relationships, Resourcefulness and Reflection.

Statutory Year 4 times table test - please help your child to be prepared.

**Literacy:** This week we have started the class book 'Varjak Paw' by S.F. Said. We have made predictions and suggestions about how the story will develop. The children have written their first suspense story of year 4 using all their literacy skills. One lesson saw the dramatized of an important incident involving the main character followed by arguments for and against a critical decision. Next week we will explore the description in the text from the character's point of views and Varjak's feelings after the tragic events of chapter 5.

Indoor **PE** has moved back to Monday please can the children keep their kit in school especially if they wear it home after a club.

Warm trousers and warm jumpers will be needed for Thursdays when we have outside **Games**.

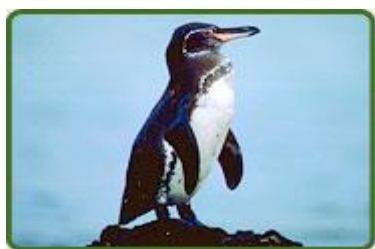
New spelling lists below.

## Homework: (Given out on Thursday – Due in on Tues)

1. Addition and subtraction with times tables
2. Reading daily- Record in homework diaries and please remember to sign diaries. 4D's diaries will be checked on Thursdays and 4H's diaries will be checked on Fridays.
3. Learn spellings – tested on Tuesday

Thank you.

Miss Howard and Miss Daykin



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**Statutory word list for year 3/4.(It is expected that the children can spell all of these words before they move into year 5.)**

accident(ally) actual(ly) address answer appear arrive

believe bicycle breath breathe build busy/business

calendar caught centre century certain circle complete consider continue

decide describe different difficult disappear

early earth eight/eighth enough exercise experience experiment extreme

famous favourite February forward(s)fruit

grammar group guard guide

heard heart height history

imagine increase important interest island

knowledge

learn length library

material medicine mention minute

natural naughty notice

occasion(ally) often opposite ordinary

particular peculiar perhaps popular position possess(ion) possible potatoes pressure probably promise purpose

quarter question

recent regular reign remember

sentence separate special straight strange strength suppose surprise

therefore though/although thought through

various

weight woman/women