



Sika Class Newsletter



8.11.19

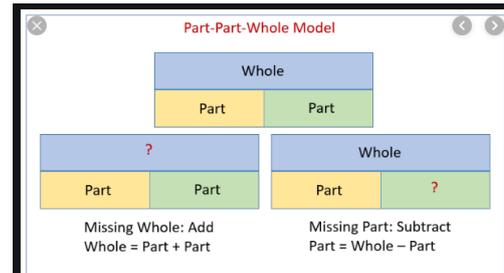
English

This half term we will be reading 'The Miraculous journey of Edward Tulane' This week the class have read the first chapter and are going to write a diary entry in character as Edward.

Maths

This week we have been learning to use the inverse of an operation to check a calculation. The class used bar models to represent each calculation.

We are launching very exciting new timetables challenges. You can find full details of these attached.



To allow the class to focus on the new challenges there will be no Mathletics set this week.

Junk Modelling

The class have been learning about Roman solders and designed their own Roman Shield. We would like to make full size Roman shields next week. Please can you collect any cardboard you have and bring it in to school next week– we're going to need loads!

Parents Evenings

Tuesday 12th— 3:30—7:00

Thursday 14th—3:30—5:30



**OF THE
WEEK**

Daisy

Daisy for fantastic participation in maths.

Well done Daisy!

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are launching two times tables challenges, to work on at home and in school with the aim to raise standards in maths through encouraging pupils to improve their mental calculations when attempting quick-fire multiplication and division problems.

The 99 Club.

A weekly challenge taken in school each week with mixed tables questions to be answered in 5 minutes.

All pupils will begin at a level they choose, between 11– 33 Club and work their way up to the 99 Club, having one opportunity per week to answer all calculations at their current level unaided and within the allotted time of five minutes. Pupils will be given an optional second opportunity per week to complete their challenge. **If all of the calculations are answered correctly twice in a row, the child moves up to the next level!**

The ultimate challenge is to complete all 99 questions of the 99 Club unaided, with no errors and within five minutes!

You can support your child by finding out which level they are working at and helping them to practise the relevant times tables. Staff and parents are of course welcome to have a go too! Can you beat Miss Ballantine's **33 Club** time of 41.5 seconds? We would love to start a parents leader board!

Deer Park Times Tables Challenge

An ongoing challenge to recite a times table in and out of order and answer quick fire questions.

This challenge is focused on two times tables at a time. Your child will be given a colour coded challenge and they will be asked to practise these times table at home. During maths warm ups and breaks in the school day your child can ask an adult to listen to them recite the times tables and answer five quick fire questions. If they are able to do this three times and collect three signatures they can move onto the next challenge. An adult or older sibling can count at one signature, at least two must be collected in school.

You can see a full breakdown of both maths challenges displayed in the Year 4 cloakroom and attached to the class newsletter dated 8.11.19.

Good luck, and keep practising! 😊



The **33 Club** introduces times tables.

Division facts are added by the time a pupil reaches the **77 Club**, and in the **88 Club** and **99 Club**, pupils will be tackling a range of mixed multiplication and division problems.

The full breakdown of The 99 Club levels is as follows:

11 Club - 11 questions involving doubling numbers from one to ten

22 Club - 22 questions involving repeated addition of numbers from one to ten

33 Club - 33 questions introducing the 2x, 3x, 5x and 10x tables

44 Club - 44 questions adding the 1x, 4x and 6x tables

55 Club - 55 questions adding the 7x and 8x tables

66 Club - 66 questions adding the 9x, 11x and 12x tables

77 Club - 77 questions consisting of inverse division facts

88 Club - 88 questions of mixed multiplication and division facts

99 Club - 99 questions of mixed multiplication and division facts

The ultimate challenge is to complete all 99 questions of the 99 Club unaided, with no errors and within five minutes!



Times tables Challenge



Bronze

Name: _____

x3	x4
1 x3 =	1 x4 =
2 x3 =	2 x4 =
3 x3 =	3 x4 =
3 x3 =	4 x4 =
5 x3 =	5 x4 =
6 x3 =	6 x4 =
7 x3 =	7 x4 =
8 x3 =	8 x4 =
9 x3 =	9 x4 =
10 x3 =	10 x4 =
11 x3 =	11 x4 =
12 x3 =	12 x4 =

To win your bronze badge you must

Recite each table in order and answer 5 multiplication quick fire questions correctly to 3 different adults. One adult at home can sign your form. You must say each table in full e.g. $2 \times 2 = 4$

When you have three signatures return your form to Miss Salantines.

Adult 1	Adult 2	Adult 3

A breakdown of The Deer Park Times Tables Challenges:

Green - x2 x5

Bronze— x3, x4

Silver—x6, x8

Gold—x9, x12

Diamond— x7 , x11

School Visit – Astronomy author Colin Stuart

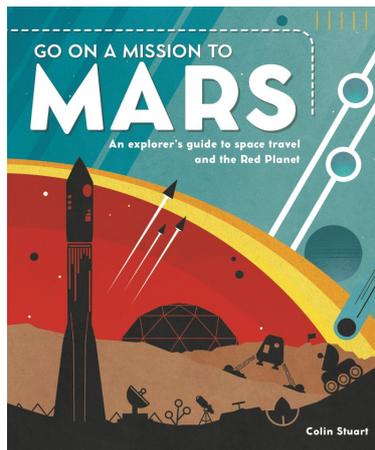
Signed copies of *Go on a Mission to Mars*

Dear Parent/Guardian,

On Wednesday 20 November astronomy author Colin Stuart (www.colinstuart.net) will visit school to talk about the future of human missions to Mars. The first person to walk on the Red Planet is currently at primary school somewhere in the world.

Signed copies of his book ***Go on a Mission to Mars*** are available to buy and can be personalised with the name of your child.

If you would like to order a signed book, please return the slip below to their class teacher along with the relevant money by Thursday 14 November.



£9

I would like ___ signed copies of *Go on a mission to Mars*

Name(s) of child/children:

Signature of parent/guardian: