

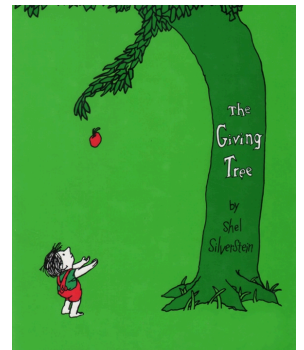


BIST Year 4E Weekly Update

Date: 24/11/2018

Literacy

- During this shortened week the students spent some time looking at the theme of gratefulness as we also celebrated the American tradition of Thanksgiving. Thusly, one of our mentor texts this week was the *The Giving Tree* by Shel Silverstein. To say that the students had a lot to say about this book would be an understatement. Rich discussion ensued around this moving parable that offers an affecting interpretation of the gift of giving and a serene acceptance of another's capacity to love in return.
- This week the students seemed come to an understanding of all the hard work that a great piece of writing takes; including revision. As experience teaches us this is often the hardest part of the writing process for young writers to engage in. However, true to form this hard working group of learners dug in and many have completed a well written, edited, and revised [Non-Chronological Report](#). Next up - poetry!
- Word Works/Spelling [link](#).** Students can access their weekly Word Works on [Quizlet](#) with a number of online games and activities to help them practise. Remember *words the students need to know the spelling and meaning of the word.



IPC

- Considering the history and purpose of money the students looked at some images of early coins from various civilisations and societies. Talked about who or what is shown on the coins. Compared these with a selection of modern day coins and notes from our host country, and talked about currency from their home countries or currency they might have collected on holiday. Students were also asked to think about all the ways that we can pay for things today

and to take all this knowledge to create their own currency.

Home Learning

- During our dedicated presentation portion each week students continue sharing their projects and are thusly also practising important communication skills. Please continue all the great work with our Autumn 2 half-term [Home Learning Grid](#). Students will still have their weekly tasks coming from school each week, but they should also chose one activity per week to attempt and share with their class.

Mathematics

- This week students will:
 - Take the Year 4 Autumn 2 Arithmetic and Problem solving and reasoning tests which contain arithmetic questions and mathematical problems presented in different formats to ensure students can fully demonstrate mathematical fluency, problem solving and reasoning. These tests assess Abacus Autumn Term 2 teaching.

Updates and Upcoming Dates:

- Mangahigh Maths competition continues
- 29th November Year 4 Field Trip to the National Museum
- 30th November Primary Assembly 2.00 - Parents Welcome
- Please make sure your student is reading each evening for 20 minutes, getting their reading journal signed, and bringing the journal in once a week for us to check.

Specials	Day
Music	Mondays
Swimming/Library/ICT	Tuesdays
Art	Wednesdays
PE/Singing	Thursdays

