

# YEAR 4

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## Curriculum Newsletter | Autumn Term | Year 4

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The areas that we will be covering this term will be:

What is South America famous for?

### English

- \* Reading and writing stories set in imaginary worlds and exploring a range of science fiction and imaginary settings.
- \* Advertising and persuasive texts: Creating posters and writing letters to help save the rainforest and improve the habitats in our local area.
- \* Diary entry linked to Mayan experience day.
- \* Poetry: Using words to create images of nature and seasons.

### Spelling

- \* Recapping the Year 3 High Frequency Words and learning Year 4 High Frequency Words e.g accident, mention, reign
- \* Investigating the spellings of homophones (words which sound the same but have different meaning and spellings) e.g. witch and which.
- \* Recapping possessive apostrophe with singular proper nouns.
- \* Words ending in the common spelling pattern –sure, e.g. treasure, measure, pleasure.
- \* Adding suffixes beginning with vowel letters to words of more than one syllable ('-ing', '-er', '-en', '-ed').

### Mathematics

- \* Understanding the value of each digit in 4 digit numbers and partitioning them (splitting numbers into Th, H,T,U)
- \* Compare and order numbers up to 10,000.
- \* Finding patterns in a number sequence.
- \* Rounding numbers to the nearest ten, hundred and thousand.
- \* Identify common factors of two whole numbers.
- \* Written method for addition – adding numbers up to 4 digits by four digits.
- \* Written method for subtraction – subtracting numbers up to 4 digits by four digits.
- \* Written method for multiplication – multiplying whole numbers (up to 4 digits) by a 1 or 2 digit number.
- \* Written method for division – dividing whole numbers (up to 4 digit numbers) by a 1 digit number with or without a remainder.

### Science

- \* Grouping living things in a variety of ways.
- \* Using classification keys to identify and name a variety of living things which live in our local environment and the rainforest.
- \* Investigating how we can improve the habitats in our local area



### Computing

- \* Recapping how to stay safe on the internet.
- \* Using data loggers and spreadsheets to record and interpret weather.
- \* Creating prototypes of toys using coding.

### Physical education

Please ensure your child has their PE Kit in school on the following days: Monday, Tuesday and Friday.

- \* Athletics
- \* Table tennis
- \* Tag rugby

### Art and design

- \* Printing and observational drawings of leaves.

### Design technology

- \* Designing and making a product chosen by the pupils to improve our local community.

### Geography

- \* Finding out where rainforests are in the world and the importance of the Amazon river. How and why the rainforest is being destroyed and discovering the ways that people are trying to save the rainforest.
- \* Identifying geographical features on a map.
- \* Identifying the 'invisible lines' on a world map.

### French

- \* Learning the numbers from 0 to 20.

### Music

- \* Weekly keyboard lessons, learning how to read musical notation.
- \* Listening and appraising music from a variety of genres and periods of time.

### P.S.H.E.e.

- \* Keeping safe and Relationships.
- \* New beginnings, getting on and falling out.

### Religious Education

- \* What do different people believe about God?



Homework is to be completed for Monday. Please help your child to:

- \* Learn the timetables up to and including 12x12 for a weekly test.
- \* Encourage your child to read at least 20 minutes, three times per week.
- \* Learn spelling rules and tricky spellings each week.
- \* Complete Maths and English work – please note Mathematics homework can be completed online on Mathletics.

Special events/activities:

Ambassador Award Launch	25 <sup>th</sup> September
Individual School Photos	26 <sup>th</sup> September
Messy Church - Harvest Theme	11 <sup>th</sup> October
Scholastic Book Fair	29 <sup>th</sup> September to 5 <sup>th</sup> October
Y3&4 Parent Workshop	5 <sup>th</sup> October
Whole School Sponsored Event	13 <sup>th</sup> October
KS2 Harvest Festival Performance	17 <sup>th</sup> October
Mayan Experience Visitor	2 <sup>nd</sup> November
Whole School Bonfire Disco	3 <sup>rd</sup> November
Parent Consultation	7 <sup>th</sup> and 9 <sup>th</sup> November
Walk to Raw Nook	14 <sup>th</sup> November
Children in Need Day	17 <sup>th</sup> November
Cyber-bullying Talk (Online Safety)	22 <sup>nd</sup> November
Christmas Fayre	1 <sup>st</sup> December
Secret Santa Shop	4 <sup>th</sup> December
KS2 Performance	11 <sup>th</sup> and 12 <sup>th</sup> December
Christmas Dinner Day	13 <sup>th</sup> December
Christmas Jumper Day	15 <sup>th</sup> December

*If you need any further information, then please contact Mr Robinson or Miss Strachan*

