

Writing

Fiction - Narrative based on the Explorer. What will happen to your characters after their plane crashes in the Amazon?

Reading

The Explorer by Katherine Rundell.

When the plane crashes, four children are stranded in the Amazon Jungle. Now they have to survive alone. But was someone there before them?

PSHE

Changing me - Exploring the way our bodies and opinions can change as we grow older. Learning to accept change and appreciate our uniqueness.

Maths

Position and Direction- Using mathematical vocabulary to describe the position, movement and direction of shapes - including coordinates.

Four Operations - ensuring secure methods, logic and problem solving for the 4 operators.

Year 4 Summer Term 2



Music

Non tuned instrument – Samba drums

Art

Skill Sculpture
Outline We will be researching, sketching, designing, making and evaluating our own clay sculptures inspired by Barbara Hepworth..

History The Vikings

What was lifelike in Viking Britain? Why did the Vikings invade Britain? What was the Norse religion?

Science

Living things and their habitats

Children will

- recognise that living things can be grouped in a variety of ways.
- Explore and use classification keys to group and identify a variety of living things
- recognise that environments can change and this can pose a danger

PE

Class PE - Swimming
PPA PE - Real PE

RE

Concept: The Gurus
Focus: Sikhism

French

We will be exploring the weather, learning to read a weather map and describing the weather in different parts of the country.

Things to explore with your child!

PE:

We are swimming this half term
- details sent out separately

Weekly Homework:

Given out Friday and marked the following Friday

A little note from us...

Welcome back to our Year 4 Families! We hope you had a restful and safe holiday break.

As we move through this half term, please speak with your child's class teacher if you have any questions or worries. Our year 4 email is the best way to contact us. Alternatively, please call the office and we will try our best to call you as soon as possible or speak to us at the end of school on the playground.

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Thank you, from Team Year 4

Home Reading and Spellings:

*Reading at home on a regular basis is essential to help build their stamina and fluency. This can be reading independently, to an adult or sibling, or being read to.
*Spelling can be challenging for some children. We find the best way is to use lots of regular practise. We have spelling lessons at school, but it is helpful to practise these at home too. On teams, we share the list of word we are currently working on. Here is a link to a website with lots of spelling games which might be helpful too.

[Spelling and Grammar, English Games for 7-11 Years - Topmarks](#)

Maths:

Our Year 4 Times Table assessment is drawing closer and we really encourage you to practise these at home.

TT Rockstars is not the only way to do this. Not all of our children like TT Rockstars so if this is the case they will need to find other ways to practise them. Verbal recall is still one of the best ways to do this. Doing these regularly is the key to success!

In the assessment, they have 6 seconds to read, calculate and type their response to questions up to 12x12.

Termly Home Learning:

These are optional pieces of work which the children can complete at home to help enrich their learning from school. We would always encourage children to immerse themselves in what interests them - so these are just some ideas. Please bring in and share any extra work or projects you are doing at home - we love to see them!

HOME LEARNING PROJECT IDEAS



Complete lots more times table practise! You can use TT Rockstars the garage, saying them with your adults, writing them out, etc.

There are lots of other websites to help you too. Perhaps try www.timestables.co.uk



In Science we will be learning about living things and their habitats. To explore this further you could: create fact file or a model of an organism, where it lives and how it survives.

Book
Review

Have you read any good books recently? We love to hear your recommendations. Write a book review that will encourage others to read but remember don't give away the ending!!

In art we are making a sculpture inspired by Barbara Hepworth. You could do some more research about Barbara, research other ceramic artists or even create your own sculpture at home.

