

Welcome to Year 4! In Year 4, our class teacher is Miss O'Connor. Mr Brearley and Miss Khan also work in our class. Passion Opportunity Well-being Expression Reflection

We can't wait to welcome you into Year Four in September. Here is a sneak peak of the exciting things we will be learning about next half term.



Reading

In class we are reading The Vanishing Rainforest by Richard Platt. It tells the story of the Yanomami tribe battling against potential developers in the Brazilian rainforest.

At home, you can help by listening to me read every day.

English

In English, we are writing based on a 'Mystery Book'. This term we will focus on how to write a campaign letter. We will be looking at persuasive writing and presenting factual information by organising our writing into sections (subheadings, pictures with captions), coordinating conjunctions and fronted adverbials.

At home, you can help by practising my spellings with me and using spelling shed on the computer. You could also collect different examples of information reports with me and help me write information

Maths

In Maths, we are focusing on place value and addition and subtraction.

Vocabulary:

Addend, subtrahend, minuend, sum, difference, value, digit, amount, partition,

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At home, you can help by practicing my times tables with me and using "Times-table Rock Stars" on the computer.

Science

In Science, we are learning about Living Things and Their Habitats. Our key scientist is Jane Goodall. The children will learn how to:

- Identify and name a variety of living things in their local and wider environment,
- Sort and group living things (example: reptiles)
- Observe and research changes to the environment and study how this affects wildlife.

At home, you can help by researching about where animals live and researching our key scientist. Talk about ways human activity impact on wildlife and their habitats (example: littering).

Wider Curriculum

In Geography, our topic is Natural World. We will be looking at the impact of human activity on the physical geography of different parts of the world. The children will learn about the physical geography of different parts of the world and its impact on human geography.

In Music, we are learning to play the trumpet with Mr Johnston.

In Art, we are looking at the artist Georgia O'Keefe and looking at using different brush strokes using water colours.

At home, you can help by talking about where some of our foods come from and you could watch Planet Earth to find out about animals from all over the world.



Vocabulary

Discuss the following words with your child, do they know what they mean? Can they use

them in a sentence?

<u>Geography</u> Land use Conservation Vegetation Climate change Deforestation Pollution Human impact <u>Science</u> Habitats

Living

Dead

Survive

Insect

Mammal

Amphibian

Reptile Rainforest Equator

Events

Swimming is on Mondays

Children need swimming costumes and towels.

Swimming hats need to be worn by anyone with hair longer than shoulder length. Hair needs to be tied up. **Times tables**

Practise your times tables every day, we have a multiplication check at the end of Year 4!



Behaviour

For a safe and happy school, we are expected to:

Be respectful Be kind Be truthful

