

Learning Launchpad: Autumn 1, 2021-22



Year 4

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Welcome back to a new school year! We hope you have had a lovely summer and are just as excited as us about the year ahead. This year, the children will have the opportunity to go to Nell Bank on our residential trip. Here the children will bond, face challenges and come away with lasting memories. Back in school, the children will continue to build on their skills, knowledge and experiences from Year 3.

Key 'learning and doing' + useful links . . .

English:

This half term, we will be using the book 'Cloud Busting' by Malorie Blackman to inspire our learning. We will be picking apart the language used and using this to enable us to include more emotion in our writing. We will also be looking at how poetry is used in the book and using this to inspire our own haikus.

Maths:

In Maths, we will be learning about number and place value. We will be exploring 4-digit numbers in a range of different ways, starting with concrete resources and progressing on to pictorial and abstract representations. We will also continue to revisit the times tables that we learnt in Year 3, as well as introducing new multiplication tables.

Geography:

In Geography, we will be learning about the world's rainforests. We will look at where they are located, how they are formed and answer our enquiry questions, 'What would the world be like without the Rainforest?'

Science:

In Science we will be learning all about Sound. Through a range of different investigations, we will answer our enquiry question 'How is Sound made?' We will be looking at how sound travels and how the sound's pitch and volume can be affected in different ways.

Key dates and reminders . . .

Key dates:

Thursday 23rd September – School Council Elections.

Monday 11th and Tuesday 12th October – Parents Evening

Friday 22nd October – Halloween Disco

Friday 22nd October – Break up for half-term

Reminders:

PE: We will be doing PE every Monday. Please come to school dressed in your PE kit. Long hair needs to be tied back and earrings need to be removed. We may do some PE lessons outside so please wear appropriate trainers.

Swimming: We will be going swimming every Friday. Please send your child to school with their swimming things in a labelled bag. See letter on Seesaw for more information.

Homework: Homework will be set every Friday on Seesaw in the activities section. The following Thursday, we will do the spellings and times tables test.