



**Year 4**

**Autumn**

**Curriculum**



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# Welcome to Year 4!

We hope you have had a fantastic summer and are looking forward to an autumn full of exciting learning opportunities.

## Geography

For the first half term, we will be finding out what is scary about Puerto Montt. We will be going on a geography learning journey starting with the explorer Ellen MacArthur in Cowes on the Isle of Wight and following her journey to Chile and its volcanoes. We are looking forward to having a volcanic experience using our school VR headsets as well as a thrilling 3D dome.

## English

In English, we will start off by learning all about how to write a narrative about belief and excitement, based on the book 'Leon and the Place Between.' Following this, we will create our own setting descriptions based on Pirates of the Caribbean.

## Maths

To kick off maths this year, we will be investigating and working with numbers to 10,000 and building our place value knowledge. Following on from this, we will be putting our thinking caps on and developing our skills in mental calculations which will lead us into addition and subtraction of numbers to 10,000. We will also be working with fractions and learning about different shapes.

## Music

During music this term, we will find out how to control how quiet or loud our playing is (diminuendo and crescendo), and how fast or slow it is (tempo). We will have the opportunity to make our own compositions and are sure to enjoy performing them to each other.

## Computing

In our computing this half term, we will be re-capping key skills

regarding online safety. We will then be looking at how to word process using learnt keyboard skills and a variety of computer soft wares.

## P.D.L. and R.E.

During P.D.L. this term, we will be 'Feeling Good' and 'Keeping Healthy' and discussing our hopes and concerns for our time in Year 4.

In R.E., our concept is Rules in the Community. We will be discussing how this relates to Jewish people. We will also be looking into the Christian faith and annunciation.

## Art

Our inspiration in art for the autumn term is our volcano topic; this will be explosive! But first of all we will be practising our drawing and painting skills, using an artist famous for drawing volcanoes as inspiration.

## Science

This half term, we are learning about Rocks and Soils. We will be classifying them and discovering what soil is made of. Next half term, we will be studying materials further. We will find out what a mixture is and trying to separate different mixtures. We will be learning about dissolving and having fun exploring the structure of soil.

## PE

The children learnt a lot about teamwork last year in P.E. and we look forward to applying these skills and knowledge to fitness, tennis, netball and dance units this term.

## Home Learning

Please support your child to read 5 times a week. Even if your child is a fluent reader, it would be great if you could still listen to them and ask them questions about what they have read in order to support their comprehension skills.

Children will be provided with a log to record reading and any child who has recorded reading eight or more books over the term will be awarded a free book at the end of term!

Children should practise TTRS and Numbots weekly to develop their fluency. (20 mins a week will make a big difference to children's recall and retention.



Spelling rules for the term will be added to the year page on our website, if you wish to do some practise.



Log ins to access homework on the internet can be found in the reading log book. If you have any problems with this, please let us know.

We are looking forward to an amazing autumn term of fantastic learning. If you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact us either on the playground after school or via the school office; we are always happy to talk to you.

## **Key Events & Dates**

**PE:** Monday and Thursday. P.E .Kits to stay in school please.

**Home Learning due:** Thursdays

**Home Learning set:** Fridays

**Science Dome:** Monday 22nd September

**Hello Yellow :** Friday 10th October

**Maple Class Assembly:** 17th October

**Individual Photos :** Tuesday 21st October

**Inset day:** Friday 24th October

**Half term:** Monday 26th October - Friday 31st November

**Parents' Evenings:** Monday 17th November and Thursday 20th November

**Sustainability Centre Trip:** Lime Tuesday 18th November and Maple Wednesday 19th November

**Year 4 production :** Tuesday 16th and Wednesday 17th December

**End of Term:** Friday 19th December

**Lime Class Assembly:** 30th January

**Year 4 Camping Assembly:** 22nd May

