

Welcome to Year 4



Read on to find out about our learning this first half of the Autumn term 2019.

This first half term we have begun exploring the world we live in. We have enjoyed finding out about all the places we have been to and thinking about where we would like to go. We have learnt about the northern and southern hemispheres and the continents and countries within them. We have even located different continents and oceans by their longitude and latitude. We have linked this to our PE lessons developing orienteering skills and locating areas on a map.

In English, we started with a wonderful fantasy story 'The Hole'. We wrote our own endings to the story using many imaginative ideas and some exciting language. In poetry week, we wrote class poems using similes and then wrote our own poems about different habitats. We really explored using powerful language to create images and feelings.



In Maths our focus has been place value and working with 4-digit numbers. We have learnt how to order them, compare them, round them up and down and now to add and subtract with them.

In science and art our focus has been the natural world and our local habitats. We have learnt how to observe and classify living things according to their characteristics. We have looked at detailed drawings of plants in our environment and explored colours, line and detail in our work.

We have really enjoyed seeing all the children's fantastic topic homework pieces, from models of landmarks around the world to meals and snacks well done for all the pieces. We look forward to seeing what other ideas come in in next half term.

Please help your child to learn **all** their times tables on a regular basis, as by the end of Year 4 they **MUST** know these facts off by heart. Thank you!