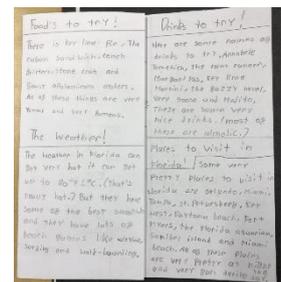# Welcome to Year 4

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

This second half term we have continued finding out about the world we live in. We have carried out a lot of work looking at maps, exploring lines of longitude and latitude to locate different places. We have mirrored this map work in PE using maps in Orienteering to follow a range of courses and then design our own. We have also looked at maps from the past and compared how our local area has changed over the last 100 years.

In English, we started the half term with a letter from Mr Oulton asking for advice on different countries he could visit in the holidays. The children carried out research on different countries and wrote wonderful leaflets about where he could go. We followed this with some persuasive writing linked to our topic and science. The children had been looking at problems with the destruction of habitats and global warming. They wrote and presented their own speeches on this. We have finished off this half term exploring the work of Edward Lear and with some excellent limerick writing.

In Maths our focus has been working on basic operations and knowing multiplication and division facts. They have been working really hard representing numbers and understanding patterns in the times tables.

In Science we have learnt about food chains and human digestion. The children made careful models of their teeth and have thought about how different teeth are useful for different jobs. They have also used this knowledge to explore how animals can be identified as carnivores, omnivores or herbivores. This has then led on to looking at producers, consumers, prey and predators in food chains.

The wonderful and inspiring homeworks have kept rolling in. There has been such a range of great ideas. Thank you for your support.

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!