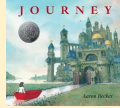


Year 4 - Autumn 1 2026-2027



English



Fiction unit: "Journey" Tree' by Aaron Becker

Pupils will read and explore the story of Journey and use this as to help develop pupils reading and writing skills. We will be using The Write Stuff approach to allow pupils to use drama and real-life experiences to help construct their writing.

Non-fiction unit: 'Let's Save the Amazon'

Linked to our "Rainforest" topic pupils will learn about composing a piece of persuasive writing using The Write Stuff approach. Learning is broken into chunks where pupils will be able to apply their transcription skills in a purposeful persuasive letter.

Transcription:

Pupils will have three sessions a week that encompasses spelling, punctuation, grammar and handwriting. These sessions will work to help pupils learning in these areas to develop and become more automatic with repeated exposure so the skills become embedded.

Maths

In maths this half term pupils will learn about number and place value.

Pupils will be taught to:

- Recognise, read and write numbers to 1000.
- Partition numbers.
- Find 1000 more or less of a given number.
- Order and compare numbers.
- Round numbers to the nearest 10 and 100.
- Recognise and read negative numbers.
- Recognise and read roman numerals.



Welcome to Year 4!

We hope you have had a lovely summer holiday and are looking forward to Year 4. This half term we will be exploring the rainforests and the living things in them.

Science

Pupils will study living things and their habitats.. They will group living things and use classification keys to sort and group animals and plants. They will also look at how plants and animals adapt to the environment around them.



Geography.



Pupils will investigate:

- What a rainforest is and where they can be found.
- The layers of vegetation in a rainforest.
- The climate in a rainforest.
- The people and settlements in a rainforest.
- Why the rainforests are under threat and the actions and measures they can take to save them.

Computing

Topic - Networks: The Internet / Online Safety Unit

The children will learn that the World Wide Web is part of the internet, and will be given opportunities to explore the World Wide Web for themselves in order to learn about who owns content and what they can access, add, and create.



Home Learning

Reading: We encourage all children to read as much as possible, both at school and at home. All pupils will be allocated a reading scheme book read. Please listen to your child read regularly and write a comment in their reading record every week.

We encourage reading for pleasure so all pupils will get the chance to choose a library book each week.

Maths homework will be set on My Maths and any additional homework will be set on Google Classroom. Homework will be set on a Thursday to be handed in the following Thursday.



MFL/French



Playing with number

Year 4 will learn to write numbers 1-20 confidently and use number in different contexts such as telling the time.

RE

In RE the children will explore the big question 'What do Christians learn from the Creation story?'

Worship



Worship:

Throughout the year, children will participate in school, key stage and class worship. They will be encouraged to plan and lead worship regularly.

Useful Websites:

www.letterjoin.co.uk - username: light password: shine - useful to practise joined up writing
www.school360.co.uk - children will have their own log-in to School 360. There are lots of good links to Maths/Literacy Games and they can keep track of their class points.

<https://ttrockstars.com> - pupils can use their username and passwords to work on times table skills found in the diary. These are great for fluency on times tables.

Dates for your diary:

Wednesday 16th September Adam Bushnell author visit.
Please see the Friday Flyer for the most up to date diary events.

Half term - We break up on Thursday 22nd October.

Our Year 4 Staff:

Alder Class - Mrs Bonner

Maple Class - Mr Sykes

If you have any questions, please contact us via your child's reading record or by telephoning/emailing our administration team.

Mrs Ogden will teach Music and Madame Humes will teach French to Year 4.

Mr Smith will teach PE this half term.

Music

Pupils will be studying recorder this half term with our specialist music teacher Mrs Ogden. If possible children should bring in their own recorder from home each Wednesday. We will also take part in KS2 singing practise once a week.

PSHE

In PSHE, we will be exploring "How do I recognise a good friendship?"

Art

Pupils will be learning about Henri Rousseau and create their own jungle paintings.

PE

In PE this half term, Year 4 will be learning about invasion games - looking at basic principles for attacking and defending. PE with Mr Smith will be Thursday. Maple class will swim every Friday afternoon. Alder will have a second PE session on a Friday with NUF.

Things to remember:

Reading Record and Water bottle



PE kit: Days:

Alder Class: Thursday and Friday - come in your PE kit.

Maple Class - Come in PE kit on Thursday. We will be swimming on Friday afternoons.