

Welcome back Year 4!

Welcome Back

We hope you all enjoyed a restful summer holiday and we are very pleased to welcome your children back to Year 4. They have made a brilliant start to the year and have settled into new routines very quickly. This term our topic is 'Extreme Earth'. We will learn about volcanoes and earthquakes and are looking forward to exploring a range of different skills, including how to make earthquake proof buildings! Please see curriculum map for more details.

Meet the Year 4 Team

Class teachers:

4Z – Miss Zivtins (Head of Year)

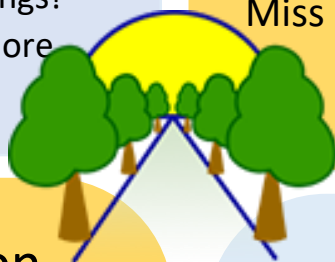
4G – Mr. Gately

4H – Miss Hook

4B – Miss Bacon

Support staff:

Miss Goodson, Miss Jones,
Mrs. Norry, Ms. Allain, Mrs. Dix,
Miss Holmes, Ms Gibbs



Important Information

PE days:

4H – Monday and Thursday

4B – Wednesday and Thursday

4G – Monday/Tuesday and Thursday

4Z – Tuesday and Thursday

Please send children into school in their PE kit on their PE days.

Forest Schools for 4B:

14/9/21, 21/9/21, 12/10/21, 19/10/21

Term dates:

School breaks Friday 22nd October.

New term: Monday 1st November –
Friday 17th December

Reading at Home

This year, all children will receive a reading record. These records will be used both at home and school so we ask that they're kept in your child's school bag.

If you would like your child to bring a book home from school, please contact their class teacher. Please ensure children have daily reading practice at home where possible.

English

We will learn:

- how and when to use capital letters.
- how to use commas correctly.
- the features of non-fiction texts.
- how to write a report.
- how to write a letter.
- about proper nouns, personal nouns and adjectives.

Science

We will learn:

- the properties of different states of matter (solids, liquids and gases) and how they can change.
- how to use a thermometer.
- about the water cycle.

Geography

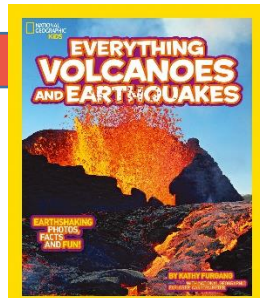
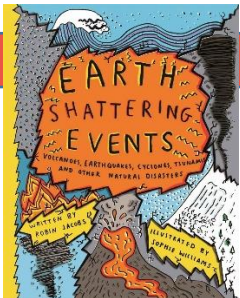
We will learn:

- how to use atlases.
- what tectonic plates are how they cause natural disasters.
- how people's lives are affected by natural disasters.
- how and why volcanoes erupt.
- about different types of volcanoes.

What causes natural disasters?

Texts:

Non-fiction texts: Earth Shattering Events and Everything Volcanoes and Earthquakes



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We will learn:

- how buildings can be made earthquake-proof.
- about the design process.

Art

We will learn:

- about the life and works of Hokusai.
- how to use artistic techniques inspired by Hokusai.



Maths

We will learn:

- about place value (up to 5-digit numbers).
- rounding
- addition and subtraction.

French

We will learn:

- numbers up to 20.
- the names of countries.
- colours.

RE

We will learn:

- where Christian beliefs come from.

PATHS

We will learn:

- the Golden Rule and how we can follow it.

Physical Education

We will develop:

- our footwork and coordination.
- our perseverance and ability to cope well when things get challenging.

School of Sanctuary

We will discuss the displacement that can be caused by natural disasters and consider how support can be offered.

Optional Home Activities:

Maths:

- Times tables up to 12 x 12. Topmarks is an excellent website to help practise these!

English:

- To read a range of non-fiction texts and write your own non-fiction book.

Topic:

- To find out about famous earthquakes and volcanoes around the world
- Create your own volcano! You can use the Natural History Museum link to help you: <https://www.nhm.ac.uk/discover/how-to-make-a-volcano.html>

