

Croeso i Dosbarth 4 Welcome to Class 4



Class Teacher: Mrs McNaught

Our class topic is... WHAT HAPPENS AT CAMP GREEN LAKE? Here are some of the ways in which your child will be learning during this Autumn Term 1.

Language, Literacy and Communication:

- In English, we will be learning to write character descriptions and we will explore the features that these stories have.
- As a class, our class book this half term is Holes by Louis Sachar.
- To develop our reading, we will have Guided Reading 4x weekly to practise reading strategies and comprehension.
- To develop our spelling, we will have a range of class spelling activities to learn and practise different patterns including a weekly homework.

Cymraeg:

 In Welsh, we will be focusing on the topic of 'Manylion Personol' / 'All About Me'.

Mathematics and Numeracy:

In Maths, we will be developing our understanding of the four operations of number:

- Addition
- Subtraction
- Multiplication
- Division
- Financial Education
- Maths Investigations

RVE:

In Religion, Values and Ethics, our first half term focus will be 'Creation and Covenant'. We will be covering topics such as:

- The Moses story, focusing on the two key events of the call and the covenant.
- Different covenants in History.
- Ten Commandments



Health and Wellbeing:

In PE, we will be looking at:

 Basketball and will look at ball control, attacking and defending.

In Health and Wellbeing, we will:

Focus on friendship and resolving conflict.

Expressive Arts:

In Art, we will learn about:

- Drawing people
- Courtroom sketches

In Music, we will:

- Develop soundscapes.
- Look at using timbre and volume to create different moods.

Science and Technology:

In Science, we will:

- Investigate materials and their properties.
- Carry out investigations such as: 'What material holds the most water?'

Humanities:

In Humanities, we will look at:

- What is meant by Law?
- Who decides on these Laws?
- What happens in a courtroom?

In Geography, we will:

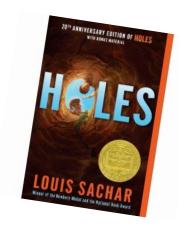
 Explore the properties of deserts. Discuss how they are changing and what impact we are having.

<u>Digital Competency:</u>

In our digital lessons, we will focus on:



- Using Adobe to make videos
- Create graphs



Important information for you to know:

P.E: Our PE lessons will take place on a Friday. On a PE day, pupils need to come to school dressed in their PE uniform.

This includes:

- White t-shirt/polo shirt
- Black jogging bottoms/leggings/shorts
- Trainers
- In cooler weather conditions, pupils are also permitted to wear a <u>plain black</u> jumper or hoodie.

Please note:

- Jewellery must not be worn for PE lessons.
- Football kits or other coloured clothing are not permitted.



PPA: Thursday PM

What children should bring to school:

- Bottle of water (We keep these in class so we can access a drink when needed throughout the school day.)
- Healthy snack (During our morning break time, pupils can have a healthy snack.)
 Please note that we are a nut free school.
- Coat for outdoor activities and play times (The weather is unpredictable and we will be making the most of the outdoors as much as possible!)



Home Learning Tasks:

<u>Daily reading</u>: Reading is one of the most important skills children can have. Please encourage your child to read at home as much as possible. Pupils will bring home a book and Reading Record daily. Any reading should be logged in the Reading Record. This applies to pupils who are working through our school reading scheme <u>and</u> those who are free readers.

<u>Spellings</u>: Spellings will be given out on a Friday each week and will be tested the following Friday. Please encourage your child to go over their spellings at home ready to be tested in school. This, combined with activities in school will support continued progress in spelling.

How to help at home:

During the term your child will be taught to develop reading, oracy and writing. Here are some additional ideas which may be useful...

Language, Literacy and Communication				
Oracy	Reading	Writing		
Get your child to explain what they have been learning and what they have been up to during the school day.	 Listen to your child read regularly at home. Read a book together. Listening to stories supports both reading and writing progress. Visit the local library to explore and choose books to read. 	Writing can be on paper or digital! Get your child to create a piece of writing, or maybe you can work on something together! Check out this web link for more information: https://writing4pleasure.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/wfp-writing-with-children-at-home.pdf		

Through the term your child will be taught to develop their mathematical skills in a variety of ways. The following may help.....

Mathematics and Numeracy				
Using & Applying	Number	Shape, Space & Measure	Handling Data	
Get your child to show you what they have been learning in school. This will reinforce skills learned in school as they will need to explain the skill.	 Practise recalling times tables regularly at home. Use Hit the Button to practise quick fire times tables online for free. 	 Check out some of the websites listed on the next page to keep practising Maths at home. Practise telling the time and ask your child regularly what the time is to practise. 	Hwb has free data handling software on J2E where children can continue to practise handling data.	

Websites to support your child's learning:



WORDGAMES.ORG























