

YEAR 4

A very warm welcome to Year 4 at Launde Primary School! We hope you've all had a lovely summer and are feeling ready for the exciting year ahead. We are so pleased to welcome your children into Year 4 and are looking forward to getting to know them, supporting them with their learning and sharing lots of exciting experiences and adventures together.



ENGLISH

During the Autumn term, children will write imaginative setting descriptions, a diary entry and an informal letter. They will also create an explanation text and explore haiku poetry. Throughout their writing, they will develop their use of figurative language, varied sentence openings, prepositional phrases, relative clauses, conjunctions and accurate tense choices.

READING

Children will take part in daily reading lessons, developing their vocabulary, retrieval and inference skills through a shared weekly text. They will learn to understand unfamiliar words, explore figurative language and find, organise and discuss information from fiction and non-fiction. Children will change their school reading book at least once a week, and regular reading and discussion at home will further support their progress. For example, you could ask your child to explain an unfamiliar word or find information about a character or event in the text.

PE

In fitness lessons, children will build their confidence, coordination, and endurance through a variety of dynamic games, exercises, and group activities. Lessons will encourage teamwork, developing motor skills, and understanding the importance of regular exercise for overall well-being. Outdoors, children will develop their basketball skills and confidence through a range of practical activities and games. They will learn and practise key skills including dribbling, passing, receiving and shooting, as well as moving into space and defending effectively. Throughout the term, the children will develop their teamwork, communication and decision-making skills, applying what they have learned in games and challenges.

HOMEWORK

Children will complete weekly homework using their CGP books (comprehension, grammar/spelling, maths) and use Times Tables Rock Stars (21 minutes each week) to practice key mathematical skills and times tables. Children are also expected to read regularly at home and record their reading in their Reading Record.

MATHS

We will begin by developing children's understanding of **place value**, including recognising, partitioning, comparing and ordering four-digit numbers. We will also practise estimating and rounding numbers.

We will then focus on **addition and subtraction**, including working with four-digit numbers and solving calculations involving exchanging. Children will develop strategies for estimating and checking their answers.

Our **multiplication and division** work will include exploring multiples of 3, 6, 7 and 9.

YEAR GROUP PARENT EVENTS

Thursday 10th September 9am – Parent Breakfast Meeting

Saturday 12th September – Launde Community Fayre

Monday 12th & Tuesday 13th October – Parents' Evening

Monday 2nd November 2pm – 4JM Parent Education Workshop

Monday 9th November 2pm – 4AS Parent Education Workshop

Tuesday 10th November 2pm – 4DB Parent Education Workshop

R.E.

Children will explore Christian beliefs about the Trinity and Hindu beliefs about Brahman, atman and deities, learning how these beliefs are expressed and respectfully discussing different viewpoints.



COMPUTING

Children are going to be learning about the internet and connecting networks. The children will also learn the importance of security and the use of passwords.

SCIENCE

In Science, children will explore **classifying organisms, food and digestion, states of matter, properties of materials, sound and electricity**. They will develop their scientific enquiry skills through practical investigations and experiments.

- **Biology:** Classifying Organisms; Food & Digestion
- **Chemistry:** Particle Model & States of Matter; Properties of Materials
- **Physics:** Sound; Electricity

ENQUIRY

This term, Year 4 will explore the enquiry question: How do past decisions shape the future? Through their study of Roman Britain, children will learn about the Roman invasion, Celtic resistance and Boudicca's rebellion. They will investigate historical sources and explore how Roman decisions influenced Britain's roads, towns, technology, government and beliefs. At the end of the enquiry, children will transform the school hall into an interactive Roman museum, where they will share their learning with parents through exhibits, models and performances.

SPANISH

Year 4 will learn about dates, months, birthdays and celebrations, as well as pets and how to talk about them in Spanish.

MUSIC

In Music, children will take part in ukulele lessons led by a music teacher. They will learn how to play the ukulele, developing their understanding of rhythm, pitch and musical notation.