

KEY VOCABULARY

fauna	Common British animals
flora	Common British plants
physical features	Natural environment of a place e.g. landforms, bodies of water
human features	Manmade characteristics e.g. bridges, houses, cities
predator	An animal that naturally preys on others.
prey	An animal that is hunted and killed by another for food.
habitat	The natural home or environment of an animal or plant.
characteristics	A description of the distinctive nature or features of something.
adapted	To become adjusted to new conditions.

SPRING 2 2024

Welcome back to the second half of the Spring Term. We hope you all had a relaxing and restful break.

This term will continue to be filled with exciting and enriching opportunities for Year 4. Homework will still be uploaded to the school website every Friday, to be completed by the following Wednesday. The tasks will continue to be a mixture of written and online based tasks.

PE lessons will continue to be on a Friday. Please make sure that children have a pair of shorts with them as well as their school track suit.

If you have any further questions, please come and speak to Mr Billington or Miss Terrell.

KEY MATHS SKILLS

This half term the children will be developing their skills in the following maths units:

- Written addition and subtraction
- Multiplication and division
- Place value
- Written multiplication
- Shape and position

The children will also continue to develop their rapid recall of multiplication facts up to 12x12. All year 4 are encouraged to practice at home in order to earn their badge 12. Let's try to achieve this by Easter!!

THIS HALF TERM WE ARE READING

This half term year 4 will be enjoying reading 'The Firework Maker's Daughter' by Philip Pullman. We will be learning about the characteristics of fantasy novels.

At home, children are encouraged to read regularly with an adult and discuss the text read, as well as reading independently.

SPELLING FOCUS

rule/suffix	examples
Prefix anti-	antibiotic antidote
Prefix inter-	interrupt intervene
Endings that sound like spelt '-cian', '-sion', '-tion' and '-ssion'	magician extension profession attention

KEY KNOWLEDGE

In Science, Year 4 will be learning to classify living things and group them in a variety of ways using flow charts/classification webs. Children will explore the local area, observing and recording habitats of British wildlife.

In Geography, the children will be completing a study of the Ribble Valley. They will learn key skills including: field work, compass skills, sketching and develop mapping, using digital media.