

Bellfield Primary School

Autumn Term Newsletter

Year Group: 4



Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back! We are looking forward to a fantastic year and know that the children are going to be amazing! Although this is going to be a 'strange' term, we know that you will continue to support us in ensuring that all children are given the highest quality teaching and succeed. This is our new style class newsletter. All communication will be sent out via Seesaw or Parent Pay so please login to your emails and Seesaw account on a regular basis.

Welcome and Termly News

Welcome back and welcome to Class 4. Although this year may seem different, I am sure we will have a fantastic time. Thank you for your patience with the new system of coming to and from the school. As a reminder, Year 4 children will come into the school from 8:40am from the school gate and will be picked up from the main playground at 3:15pm. This year homework will be based on the time tables and will be set on a Friday and is not expected in until the following Thursday. A new spelling will be given daily and then tested on Friday. Once the children have been tested on the Friday, they will receive the spellings to take home and refer back to when needed. After the children have been given 30 spellings, I will test their knowledge again.

Literacy this term and our chosen author/text:

This term we will have the opportunity to study three different texts: The Polar express, The Train to Impossible Places and an information book. During guided reading and literacy we will look at these books in depth and use them to inspire our writing. Throughout this term, we will look at the following writing genres: narrative, non-chronological reports, poetry and diary entries. We will look a range of sentence structures to improve our writing as well as how to use a range of punctuation.

Maths this term:

During maths this term, we will look at developing our knowledge of our times tables up to 12. We will begin with looking at numbers and the value of these number and then go on to using these within the four operations. We will take a close look at different methods to add, subtract, multiply and divide. Also, we will take a closer look at which methods we can use to find the answer to questions mentally.

Curriculum:

This term, we will be focusing our curriculum around the Hull Trains. We will look at the history of the train network in Hull and how it has developed over the past century. We will examine why trains were invented and how the development of them affected Hull. As geographers, we will look at the local area; specifically where train lines once were. We will learn how to read maps and how to use a compass to determine the direction of human and physical geography.

Science:

As scientists, we will focus on animals including humans, and living things and their habitats. We will work on our skills as scientists through exploration, research and investigations. As a class we will be looking closely at the human body and how it works. We will examine animal groups and where these animals live in the world.

Educational Visits

This term, we are aiming to walk into the local area to closely look at the train lines that are no longer in use. We will use this visit to help with our history and geography research.