

Year 4 - Summer Term 1 and 2 2023 - How diverse is Australia?

Important facts to know by the end of this topic:

- The Tropic of Cancer and Capricorn and their position on a map.
- Australia is an island, a country and a continent.
- Its capital city is Canberra.
- It has at least 6 different climates, which contributes to its diverse flora and fauna
- The Tropic of Capricorn runs across it.
- It is located in the Southern Hemisphere.
- There's a small island off the south coast of Australia called Phillip Island, which has links to the Isle of Wight.

Key Skills

- Locating the tropics on a map.
- Name and locate some of the main islands around Australia.
- To use 6-digit grid reference when using Ordnance Survey maps.
- To describe and explain human and physical features of land.
- To find out about the climate zones in Australia.



Key Vocabulary

Hemisphere - one half of the Earth, especially a half north or south of the equator or west or east of the prime meridian.

Location - the site or position of something.

Longitude - the angular distance east or west of the prime meridian that stretches from the North Pole to the South Pole and passes through Greenwich, England.

Latitude - an imaginary line joining points on Earth's surface that are all of equal distance north or south of the equator.

Ordnance Survey - It carries out the official surveying of GB, providing the most accurate and up-to-date geographic data, relied on by government, business and individuals.

Region - a large land area that has geographical, political, or cultural characteristics that distinguish it from others, whether existing within one country or extending over several.

Our English this term!

We are going to study Michael Morpurgo's *Kensuke's Kingdom*, a fantastic adventure story full of twists and turns and surprises! Through this story children will write in the genres of recounts and explanations in great detail.

At home you could: -

- plan a round the world journey for yourselves - where would you go, how would you get there and would you live there permanently?

Please ensure that your child is reading at least three times a week and this is logged in Go read. One of these can be an independent read.



This term's



Our Maths this half term!

We will continue to study fractions, which means we will find equivalent fractions and add and subtract them too. This learning will link to a broader study of decimal numbers, which summer term 2 will link to money, measures, shape, space and statistics.



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Our PE this Half Term - Focus: Athletics



Children will have fun practicing these skills: Jumping for height and distance, throwing for accuracy and distance and short and long distance running. PE for Year 4 is on Tuesday's and children will need to come to school in their Nine Acres PE kit.

Our Religious Education and World Views this Half Term

Our topic is the concept of devotion. Children will learn what it is, how it can be shown, how it is practiced in the Hindu religion and how children practice it in their everyday lives.



How can you help at home?

Reading - Please encourage the children to read , read and read - and also record it in the Go Read app so we can see their comments.

Maths - Times tables - our aim is for all children to receive all of their times tables badges by the end of Year Four up to x12. We will be taking the National Statutory Multiplication Check in June 2023.

Homework - will be given out on Wednesdays and will need to be returned by the following Wednesday please.

Dates for your Diary

Mon 1st May 2023 - Bank Holiday - School closed to pupils.

Mon 8th May 2023 - Bank Holiday - School closed to pupils.

Mon 29th May - Fri 2nd June 2023 - HALF TERM.

Mon 5th June 2023 - Year 4 Times Table Check Test Week.

Thurs 15th June 2023 - Summer Fair.

Friday 16th June 2023 - DEVELOPMENT DAY

Fri 30th June 2023 - KS2 Sports Day.

Week Commencing Mon 3rd July 2023 - Transition begins.

Thurs 20th July 2023 - Last day of Summer Term.

Thurs 20th July 2023 - Early closing at 1.00pm.

Friday 21st July 2023 - DEVELOPMENT DAY

Mon 24th July - Thurs 31st August 2023 - SUMMER HOLIDAYS.



Nine Acres Primary School Summer Term 1 2023

Year 4 Team

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Miss Bekesi



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Miss McDonald



Dear Families,

Wow, Summer Term 1 already! Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to Parents' Evenings to share all of you the progress your child has made so far, and also eagerly anticipate our trip to Kidzania in June to learn about future careers!!

We continue to be here should you need any help or support, do not hesitate to get in touch to arrange an appointment if needed.

With thanks,

The Year 4 Team.



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