Welcome to Year 4

Loatlands Primary School

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Weather

Now that the weather has changed, please can you ensure that children come to school with a warm, waterproof winter coat and please ensure all items are named. Children must wear shorts for indoor PE and have joggers to stay warm at playtime.

Last term we encouraged the children to settle and get used to their new year group. We would really like to focus on homework this term. Each Friday your child will receive spellings, these can be practised on spelling shed or in your child's spelling books. Spelling tests will be every Friday. We recommend 10 minutes of Times Table Rock Star each day with a paper challenge being sent home each week as part of their homework.

There are also a lot of free interactive Times Table games here:

Times tables games - Learn them all here!

Maths with a Mouse - Year 4 MTC Preparation Fun

Times Tables Games for 7 to 11 year olds (topmarks.co.uk)

English

During this term, we will be reading 'Charlotte's Web by E.B. White We will read for 45 minutes each day. Please encourage your child to read at home for at least 10 minutes every evening. This can be their class reading book or a book of their choice.

In English, we are looking at quest stories and the techniques that are used in order to create an explanation text.

We hope to be able to award some pen licences for amazing handwriting also.

Curriculum

This term our topic is Adaptation, focusing on Birds of prey. We will be learning about owls with the help of a live workshop on Monday 11 November.

In Science, we will be learning about Teeth. We will be exploring how drinks affect tooth enamel, similarities with animal teeth and how to take care of our teeth.

We will be walking to St Giles for the Remembrance Service at 10:15am on Tuesday 11th Nov. *Can you help?*

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Maths

This term we will begin with area. Then move on to multiplication and division. To support the children in their times tables knowledge ready for the MTC in June, we now have 4 separate groups focusing on specific times tables. Daily activities include chanting, worksheets, TTRS online practise, games and the use of a counting stick for rapid recall.

We will also be looking at fractions later in the term.

Christmas tree Festival:

Friday 28th November