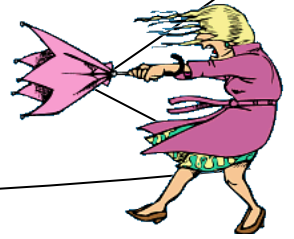


WILD WEATHER

Year 4 Autumn 1



Where is Tornado Alley? What happens inside a storm cloud? Where is the coldest place on Earth?

Year 4 will be finding out about the world's weather, such as hurricanes and bushfires, lightning and drought, and so much more! Year 4 will go on an extraordinary journey of discovery to find out about the weird and wonderful weather of our world.

You can help your child at home by:

- Sharing and reading information texts based on weather around the world.
- Encouraging your child to talk about their learning.
- Helping your child to learn the spelling and the reading of the Year 3 and Year 4 National Curriculum word list.
- Talk about the world news involving extreme weather.
- Please work on having a quick recall of all the times tables.

Websites/Apps to visit and activity ideas:

- Visit your local library and find books based around our topic theme.
- Collect facts on post it notes to add to our topic table or add a question to our classroom 'Wonder Wall'.
- Visit:
www.kidweatherapp.com
www.geography4kids.com/files/climate_intro.html
www.metoffice.gov.uk/learning/weather-for-kids
<http://kids.nceas.ucsb.edu/biomes>
<http://kids.nationalgeographic.com>
www.bbc.co.uk/schoolreport/25430933
- Apps to try: SqueeblesTT2, Mr Thorne's Time Table Terra and 10 Minutes A Day (times tables), YodelOhMath Mountain School Edition, Operation Math and Math Bingo (addition, subtraction, division, multiplication).
- There will be a **topic homework task** coming home soon and our usual weekly **Maths tasks** and weekly **spelling/grammar list** will continue to come home. **Mathletics** tasks will be set for this half term very soon too! Let me know if you and your child have any problems logging on/completing the tasks.

Keep up to date with Year 4 and find out what the class are focusing on within our topic on the school website. We will add any notices, reminders and important dates onto the page too. You will find the Year 4 page by accessing: whaleybridge.derbyshire.sch.uk, click on the 'Classes' tab and then the 'Year 4' link.

If you can help with any of the swimming sessions, please add your name to the swimming rota sent home or at the main entrance. Without your help, swimming cannot go ahead. **We need 1 swimming helper per session!**

If you have any questions, ideas to share or would just like a chat we are always available after school. Here's to a 'amazing' half term!

Miss Farrell and Miss Worsley ☺