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Dear Parents/Carers,

## Year 4 – Term 6 – Curriculum Letter

As we come to the close of another term, we are delighted with the children’s commitment to enhancing their attitudes towards learning and have yet again been incredibly fortunate to see many children heading out on exciting trips and visits. Notably, our Bee Keeping club proudly showcased their skills at the Devon County Show, while our very own Mr. Meredith had the honour of representing us at the prestigious King’s Garden Party. As we celebrate these achievements and bid farewell to another term, we extend our gratitude to you all for your continued support and look forward to what Term 6 has to offer. May we also highlight the hard work that the children have put into their times tables. They have gained fantastic amounts of confidence and have a built a great knowledge of the times tables up to 12 x 12 in preparation for the MTC that will be taking place in Term 6.

Next term, Year 4 will develop their knowledge on our planet’s rivers, we will be honing in on the second longest river in the world, **The Amazon River in our Geography area of study.**

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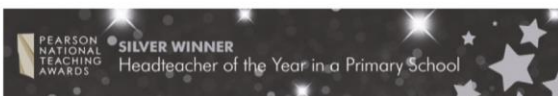
- Use maps to locate the world’s countries.
- Look at key physical and human features in South America
- Discuss who depends on The Amazon
- Build on their rivers knowledge
- Look at key features of a rainforest
- Communicate learning in an organised and structured way



In **English**, the children’s writing will be based on the adaptation of a traditional tale, ‘The Egyptian Cinderella’, where they will be given the opportunity to explore a tale with familiar elements and the text links wonderfully to our most recent area of study, ‘Ancient Egypt’. Finally, Year 4 will develop their non-fiction writing skills by writing a non-chronological report based on bees, using ‘The Book of Bee’s’ and other research skills to support this.

In their **Whole Class Reading** sessions, the children will be studying the text ‘How to Train Your Dragon’ by Cressida Cowell and ‘Secrets of a Sun King’ by Emma Carroll.

In their **Maths** learning, the children will consolidate the skills they have learned this year as well developing their understanding of number sense through decimals, then moving onto time, money, statistics and shape. Finally, in **Science**, Year 4 will construct and interpret a variety of food chains, identifying producers, predators and prey. Then, the children will study the simple functions of the basic parts of the digestive system in humans and identify the different types of teeth and their functions.





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## Learning at Home



In Year 4, the homework expectations include **reading at least five times a week** and **practicing a weekly set of spellings and times tables** using strategies learned in school. In addition, children will need to complete **one Curriculum task from their Home Learning Menu**. This task will allow the children to prepare for upcoming lessons and on occasions, they may find this task challenging but please be assured this will be explored further in school. **Home Learning Books must be in school every day please** and will be marked each Thursday.

Class Dojo will be available for Home Learning support and your child's Learning at Home Booklet and Home Learning Menu will be uploaded to the Class Story. Staff will only be able to answer questions related to Home Learning via Class Dojo. Children are welcome to upload pictures of their learning.

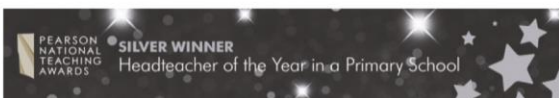
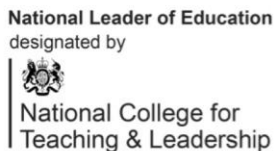


PE next term will continue to be on **Monday**. As we will be studying **Rounders** in PE, lots of the sessions will take place outdoors so please ensure your child has appropriate PE kit and a water bottle. As the days become warmer, a hat is also advised. Please could we remind all children that the appropriate PE kit, must be worn. **Children are not permitted to wear substitute clothing such as football kits, hoodies etc for their PE kits.**

We have lots to look forward to in Term 6 including Our Library Grand Opening, Outdoor Classroom Day, Sport's Day and new to 2024, our first ever, ECS FEST! Therefore, do keep an eye on our school Facebook Page and your Xpression inboxes. We look forward to seeing the children back on **Wednesday 5th June** ready for Term 6.

Have a wonderful half term break.

Best wishes,  
Mrs. Pink, Miss. Knowles & Miss. Jewell  
Class Teachers



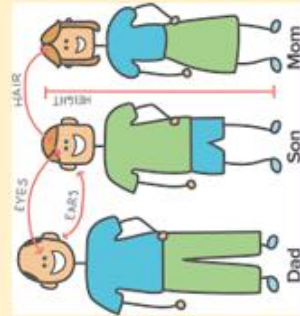
# What am I going to be learning during the 'Changing Me' topic for PSHE in Year 4?



## Unique Me

I will begin to understand how some of my personal characteristics have come from my birth parents.

I am UNIQUE.  
I am SPECIAL.  
I am ME!



## Anatomy and Babies

I will be able to label different areas of the body. I will begin to have discussions around having children when I'm older and how this is a personal choice.



## Puberty

I will begin to describe how a girl's body changes in order for her to have a baby. I will begin to understand the term menstruation. I will begin to understand the strategies that I can use, to help me cope with the changes that I will experience during puberty.

## Circles of Change

I will discuss and understand what the 'circle of change' is and apply this knowledge to the changes that I want to make in my own life. I will develop the confidence to make those changes when I know they will benefit me.



## Accepting Change

I will learn about the changes that will occur that are out of my control and I will learn how to accept these. I can talk about the fears I may have about these changes and know how to manage these feelings positively.



## Looking Ahead

I will discuss the things I am looking forward to when I move to my next class. I will start to think about the changes that I will make for the next year.

