



Welcome to the Autumn Term of Year 4.

This term, in **History and Geography** we will:
-learn about rainforests and the effects of deforestation.

-Explore Mayan culture and achievements. We will also explore who had power in their society and what made their civilisation important.

In English we will be focusing on writing for purpose and audience, linked to exciting texts such as Jumanji by Chris van Allsburg, The Iron Man by Ted Hughes and the Chronicles of Narnia by CS Lewis

Maths will begin with place value and the four operations, as well as learning all our times tables.

In Art, we will be learning about the artist Frida Kahlo and Mexican art. We will explore patterns, textures, and collage to make colourful artworks inspired by nature.

In **DT**, we will explore Mexican food, designing and making our own tortilla pockets, learning how to prepare food safely and create healthy, tasty meals.

PE will be on Tuesdays, working on our dance and football skills across the two terms.

In **Music**, the children will be learning to play the keyboard from an external music specialist.



Our theme is linked to
South America



PE:

PE will be on Tuesday. Pupils will come to school in PE kits for the day. For PE, It is important for all pupils to wear the same uniform to ensure consistency and promote a sense of belonging.

Students should wear black trousers or leggings, a Greenholm T-shirt, and a Greenholm jumper or fleece.

Homework

Homework will be set weekly for spellings and maths, with occasional theme work, and due in on Fridays. Pupils will have a reading journal. It is an expectation that this is signed at least twice weekly by an adult who has listened to them read at home. Alos, please encourage your child to log on to Reading Plus at home. Reading is one of the most important parts of a child's language and learning development, and we hope you will support us and your child by reading with them every day.

Start/End Of Day Routines

The children need to be in at 8:45 to be registered for lessons to begin at 9:00. The school day will end at 3.15pm. Pupils will be released from the junior playground.