

Blackbirds Class Newsletter Module 4



Leigh Academy
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Central Idea	Explorations lead to opportunities and new understandings.
Lines of Inquiry <i>An inquiry into:</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Connection: An inquiry into how curiosity leads people to explore and discover new things.• Change: An inquiry into how exploration has led to inventions and new ways of understanding the world.• Causation: How past explorations have shaped the way we live today.
Approaches to Learning	Communication skills and research skills
Learner Profile Attributes	Risk takers and Reflective
Core Texts	Grandad's Island, The Journey

Welcome to Module 4! This term, our young researchers are stepping into the boots of history's greatest adventurers. Our central idea is: "Explorations lead to opportunities and new understandings." We will be looking at what drives a person to head into the unknown and how their bravery has changed the world we live in today.

In our English lessons, we are using the beautiful stories *The Journey* and *Grandad's Island* to inspire our own descriptive writing. The children will be mastering expanded noun phrases to bring their settings to life, using -er and -est suffixes to compare their discoveries, and learning how to use apostrophes for contractions (like *don't* and *can't*).

In Maths, we will become experts at measuring the world around us. We are currently focusing on length and height, ensuring we can accurately use meters and centimeters, before moving on to explore mass and capacity. To support our learning at home, you could encourage your child to be a "kitchen explorer" by helping to measure ingredients for a recipe in grams or milliliters, or perhaps use a ruler to find the height of different plants in the garden.

If you have any questions about your child's learning, please don't hesitate to contact me.

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