

English

In English we will be learning about narrative and focusing our learning on the historical time of Ancient Egypt. We will also be using Talk for Writing to learn a narrative poem by Michael Rosen.

In the second term we will be looking at other text types such as diaries to think about the daily life of an Ancient Egyptian. We will also study how film is used to portray messages.

In addition to this the children have a daily RIC session in which they learn to retrieve, infer and explain from an image. The children also have two whole class Exceeding Reading sessions where they will be exposed to a range of different text types. The children will also have a weekly spelling lesson.



Maths

In Maths, we will begin by focusing on place value of four digit numbers. This will include rounding and estimating. We will build each child's confidence in the school's written methods for all four number operations. We will also learn about Roman numerals.

Please support your children to help them learn their times tables up to 12 x 12. Also, it would be helpful if children could use their maths skills in practical activities at home. For example, telling the time, weighing and money.

Science

We will begin our 'animals including humans' topic by looking at the simple functions of the basic parts of our digestive systems.

We will then be learning about the human body focusing on teeth. We will learn about the different types of teeth and their functions. The children will also learn about the importance of keeping their teeth clean; watch this space to hear about our visitor!

History

In History, our first Linked Learning is 'Ancient Egypt' Where the children will have the opportunity to find out what life was like for people in this time. They will understand the importance of the Gods and burials routines.



Design Technology



In Design Technology, we will be learning about the seasonality of food and what foods are in season and the air miles involved in getting out food to us. Our work will culminate in us preparing our own seasonal food dish.

Music

The children will learn about different types of music and appraise the work of Abba. We will also develop our understanding of how to play glockenspiels. We will also start to learn songs ahead of the Young Voices trip later in the year.

Physical Education

This term, Year 4 will be doing basketball. We will learn a range of strategies to help with attacking and defending whilst playing a variety of invasion games practicing basketball skills. We will also be learning how to play hockey.

PE will be on a Monday with your teacher and Wednesday with Mr Gould. Please ensure that your child's PE kit is in school all week as occasionally we may change PE days if the weather is typically British.



Personal Social Health Education

This year we will be learning our PHSE through Jigsaw and will focus on mindfulness and preparing our minds to learn. Our key units include rights and responsibilities, reward and consequences and understanding bullying and problem solving.

Religious Education

This term we will be focusing on Hinduism and Christianity learning about why, how and where people worship. Our key questions will be – ‘Do Murtis help Hindus understand God?’ and ‘Should Christians worship Mary?’

Computing



Within our computing sessions we will be learning how to stay safe on the Internet. We will then complete a unit of work on coding.

French



Our 2 areas of learning in French will be ‘On y va (all aboard)’ and ‘L’argent de poche (pocket money)’. This will continue to be taught by Miss Ward.

Helping Your Child At Home

Please can you listen to your child read at least three times a week and record this in their reading record. Your child will also bring home weekly spelling tasks and we will teach the children methods of learning their spellings at home. Learning Logs will be given out on a Friday to be due back in the following Wednesday. Please remember to encourage the children to use MyMaths, TTRockstars, PurpleMash and Charanga at home to support their learning.

If you wish to discuss how you can help you child further at home, please make an appointment via the school office.

Kindest Regards.
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Curriculum Newsletter

Learning in Year 4

‘A place where everyone flourishes’

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