

Year 4 Curriculum Letter

Autumn Term - 2021/2022

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Welcome

We hope you have had an enjoyable summer holiday. The children have settled extremely well into Year 4 and they are now looking forward to their Egyptian workshop where they will learn all about Egyptian tools, weapons and mummification.

This letter gives you an overview of what to expect from the Autumn term, including details of the curriculum and trips.

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Year 4 team

English, Grammar and Spelling

We will be completing different pieces of writing this term and this will include a letter, diary entry, an adventure story and a biography.

The skills we will develop are:

- Describing characters and setting
- Using non-fiction writing skills

In our Grammar lessons, we will look at different word classes and noun phrases.

In spelling, we will be learning all of the Year 4 rules and National Curriculum words.

Reading will focus on developing key skills including retrieval, inference and vocabulary and broadening our reading experiences through a variety of rich texts.

Mathematics

In our Maths No Problem lessons, we will be developing our mathematical skills, reasoning and problem solving through the topics of:

In the first half term: Place value

In the second half term: Adding and subtracting.

In Arithmetic lessons, we will practice written methods for the 4 operations and how to \times and \div by 10 and 100

In our times table lessons, we will learn and practise a different times tables each week.

Please support your child in completing their homework and practising their times tables for their weekly tests.

Foundation Subjects

Humanities – This term, children will be learning about Egyptians. This includes the history of Egypt's Kings and Queens. On Thursday 30th September, we have an Egyptian workshop for the day; where children will get to explore artefacts and learn about the Egyptians.

Science – Children will be learning about states of matter. This includes melting, solidifying, cooling, evaporating and the water cycle.

Art - Children will be creating artwork based on the Egyptians! Children will manipulate paper to create a bright and colourful canopy, before using developing skills and knowledge through the use of colour, printing and collage to add some jungle critters! Children will study the paintings of Henri Rousseau, to influence and inspire their own work.

Computing - This term the pupils will be studying Digital Literacy. As part of this unit pupils will learn how computer networks offer a range of opportunities for communication and collaboration.

RE/Philosophy - Pupils will be discussing the big questions, "What do different people believe about God?" and "Is peace on earth possible?"

PSHE

In the first half of term, our topic will be 'Being Me in My World'. In the second half of term, we will learn about 'Healthy Me'.

PE

All classes have PE on Wednesday

4 Gamma Monday 4 Delta Tuesday 4 Beta Thursday

Please make sure your child is wearing appropriate PE kit on these days.

Homework and Reading

Please practise times tables.

We expect children to read at least 5 times a week. Reading Journals should be handed in on Fridays.

The day to hand homework in will be confirmed.