



Year 4 Curriculum Overview



Ancient Egyptians

English

The children will learn to write a story based on a plot from a fantasy story. The main text will be **The Firework Maker's Daughter** by Phillip Pullman.

To be able to do this the children will:

- make predictions based on information stated and implied
- use speech marks and other forms of punctuation accurately when indicating direct speech
- explore, identify, collect and use noun phrases
- generate word banks of powerful vocabulary and select words to use in writing.
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To link in with our topic on the Ancient Egyptians, we will be reading **Secrets of a Sun King** as our class novel.

Physical Education

Net / wall games.

The children will be working on skills such as throwing a ball under and overarm; holding a racket correctly and maintaining a rally.

French

In **French** the children will be extending their vocabulary linked to family members. They will also learn about personal pronouns.

Music

Lean on Me - Charanga / Ukulele lessons.

Through their music lessons, the children will develop their understanding of different musical terms.

Science, Geography, History, Art, D&T and Computing

- **Science:** The children will be looking at sound and identifying how sounds are made. This will be done by looking at a range of different musical instruments. They will also look at how the pitch and volume of sounds can be changed.
- **History:** The children will be finding out about the Ancient Egyptians. They will learn about how important the River Nile was and how the Egyptians used to mummify a body. Research skills will be used to find out about Howard Carter.
- **Computing:** The children will be developing their understanding of how to work with text and images to produce presentations.
- **Art** – the children will develop a range of techniques when working with textiles. They will continue to review and evaluate their projects.

Mathematics

- The children will focus on **place value, mental calculations and fractions**. They will:
- count in multiples of 6 and 9
- partition 4-digit numbers in different ways.
- count forwards and backwards in steps of any unit fraction
- recognise and find equivalent fractions
- add and subtract fractions with the same denominator
- write any number of hundredths in fraction and decimal form.

RE & P.S.H.E

In **RE** the children will be considering the key question, 'How should we live our lives?' and linking this to Sikhism. In **PSHE** the children will be looking at rules, rights and responsibilities. This will include looking at how the media can influence our lives.

Homework

- **Mental Maths:** A mental maths / arithmetic activity will be set every Friday. If the children want to show what they have done, they can upload a picture on SEESAW.
- **Spellings:** Will be accessible on Spelling Shed every Monday.
- **Times tables:** Tested every Thursday.
- **Reading:** The children should be reading every night and discussing their reading with an adult.