

YEAR GROUP OVERVIEW

Year 4 – Summer 2

English - Reading

In reading lessons, pupils continue to develop their fluency knowledge and skills through a wide range of genres, including fiction, non-fiction and poetry.

Pupils also develop core reading skills through the range of texts they read:

- Vocabulary
- Retrieval
- Inference
- Prediction
- Summary
- Authorial intent

This half term's texts are Secrets of a Sun King and There's a Pharaoh in our Bath!

English - Writing

Pupils write texts using this half term's texts as a stimulus through our NELT Key Stage 2 Teaching and Learning Cycle. They will learn key grammar and punctuation knowledge within writing lessons which they will use within their writing.

Narrative: Children will be retelling part of a story from a different perspective using inverted commas and past tense.

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Explanation: Our explanation text this half-term will explain the process of mummification (linking to our history unit) which will include cohesion to express time and cause as well as using technical vocabulary appropriate to the writing.

Maths

Geometry: In this chapter, pupils will learn about types of angles. They will name and compare angles and use this information to help when classifying triangles and quadrilaterals. Pupils will explore symmetry and symmetrical figures before applying this knowledge to the completion of symmetrical figures. They will draw lines of symmetry on shapes and figures and will combine this knowledge and understanding to sort a variety of 2D shapes.

Position and Movement: In this chapter, pupils will learn how to describe the positions of objects and figures. They will learn how to describe positions on grids

using coordinates. They will be introduced to the x and y axis' and build an understanding of how coordinates are written. They will learn how to translate shapes using the terms 'left', 'right', 'upwards' and 'downwards', and will use coordinates to describe a figure following a translation.

Roman Numerals: In this chapter, pupils will learn to read and write Roman numerals. They will learn how Roman numerals were used and how they are still used today.

Science

Sound: This unit explores the basics of sound. This is a very difficult concept for children as the way sound is produced, it cannot be 'seen'. The first lesson helps children to start to explore what sound is and how vibrations play a key role. Following this, children will look for patterns in sound, first by looking at the differences in pitch and then volume. Investigative skills play a large role in children using their knowledge to link to the effect on the volume and pitch of sound.

History/Geography

Ancient Egypt: Pupils will be diving into the past of the mighty ancient Egyptian culture in detail to discover how crucial factors like water sources and farming helped them to develop and thrive. They will find out about important inventions and the growth of cities. They will also study the lives of different people in society, including the roles of kings and pharaohs. Furthermore, Pupils will learn about important figures within Egyptian culture and expand explore key points and details throughout ancient Egypt using their historical skills.

Design & Technology

Building a Tomb: In this unit, children will explore the key features of an Egyptian tomb to design and make a tomb using a net. They will then evaluate the tomb and design criteria.

Computing

Hardware Investigators: Children will use technology to understand the different parts that make up a computer. They will also recall the different parts that make up a computer.

Music

This term, the children will continue their lessons with Durham Music Service in learning how to play the ukulele.

Modern Foreign Language (MFL)

Summer Time: Children will learn simple phrases about the weather plus the Enormous turnip performance story. To accompany the summer theme, children will also learn about ice creams and how to ask about the flavour and price. They will learn how to ask politely for an item as well giving instructions on how to make a fantastical ice cream.

PSHE

Changing Me: In this Puzzle, children look at the feelings associated with change and how to manage these. Children are introduced to Jigsaw's Circle of change model as a strategy for managing future changes.

Religious Education (R.E.)

World View: Children will learn about the beliefs of people from different worldviews surrounding commitment and promises. The meaning and importance of ceremonies of commitment for religious and non-religious people.

Physical Education (P.E.)

Athletics: In PE lessons, children will use a range of skills for running, jumping and throwing. The children will practice different skills in preparation for our Sports Day.