



Welcome to Year 4

Our topic this half term is Ancient Civilisations concentrating on Ancient Egypt.

This term we will be focussing on the following areas and skills:

English

We will be looking at monsters, myths and legends.

Within this, we will focus on writing description, and how to make it effective.

We will also study riddles.

Much of our writing will be cross curricular based. In addition to this, this term we will also complete a book study.

We will also continue to work on our spelling, punctuation and grammar.

Maths

This term we will continue with Big Maths. It uses sequences of progression, prioritises the teaching of core numeracy and is delivered through a structured **CLIC** session. (Counting, Learn Its, It's Nothing New and Calculations).

In year 4 we are looking at different aspects of number and place value, multiplication and division, geometry, fractions, measurements and statistics.

Science and Topic

This term we are learning about Ancient civilisations. We will explore the history and geography of different civilisations and focusing on Ancient Egypt. The children will have opportunity to research and present information in groups.

In Science, the children will be studying electricity. This will involve planning and investigation using simple circuits and how to be safe when using electricity.

PE days and what we are doing

Indoor P.E. - Wednesday

In this session we will be looking at the different ways we can use our bodies to move, balance and jump. This will include working with partners and in groups. We will try some Egyptian style dancing.

Outdoor P.E. - Tuesday

This will be led by a qualified coach.

Swimming - Wednesday

We will be going swimming until November 13th.

All PE kit should be clearly named. Children may not wear **ANY** jewellery when doing PE, so earrings should either be left at home that day or children need to be able to remove them themselves.

Please ensure that your child has their reading book, reading record and homework diary in school every day.

Homework

In our Year group the following homework will be set (in line with the school's Homework policy):

Thursday- Maths and English homework handed out to be completed for the following Wednesday.

How you can help:

You can help your child in a variety of ways. Reading is still very important and children also loved to be read to! Times tables are also a great thing to practise with your child. If you can find any opportunities for your child to help you with writing, such as shopping lists, cards, letters etc. Give them time to have a go and don't correct every spelling just focus on the common words.