### **Curriculum Overview for Year 4**

As <u>writers</u>, the children will be reading a variety of persuasive adverts and then using these to create their own advert for a holiday to Egypt. After this, the children will then be writing letters of complaint, both formal and informal, about their terrible holiday.

# **English**



As <u>readers</u>, the children will read a variety of texts based on our Topic of the Ancient Egyptians. These will include information texts, stories and explanation texts.

The children will take part in class guided reading sessions

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## Art/DT

As <u>artists and designers,</u> the children will be designing and then making canopic jars and Egyptian death masks.

# **Computing**

As <u>computer technicians</u>, the children will be putting their knowledge to the test in an exciting workshop. The children will be building a variety of robots whilst using their understanding of algorithms and problem solving. We can't wait!





As mathematicians, the children will revise and develop their understanding of fractions, addition and subtraction, multiplication and division, capacity and position and and direction.

### **Mathematics**

The children will develop their understanding by using concrete apparatus, formal written methods and a variety of mathematical investigations. Throughout the year, the children will continue to improve their understanding of the times tables up to 12x12. A times tables test will be conducted on Friday afternoons.

# Modern Languages

French this year will be delivered by Madame Warnes on Friday afternoons. As <u>linguists</u>, the children will develop their French vocabulary through songs and games. The children will also begin to learn more complex sentences and learn about French traditions and celebrations.

# Geography

As geographers, the children will be learning how to use and draw maps, including OS maps.

### **Science**

As <u>scientists</u>, the children will learn about the human body, particularly the digestive system, teeth and diet. As well as this, the children will be learning about human impact within the environment.

The children will develop their understanding through a range of practical experiments and investigations.

### History

As historians, the children will learn about life as an Ancient Egyptian. They will research different topics such as mummification, the Gods and Goddesses and much more! The children will also be visiting the Fitzwilliam Museum to explore and learn about a range of Ancient Egyptian artefacts.

# Physical Education

As <u>competitors</u>, the children will learn the basic skills and techniques for athletics and swimming.

Swimming will be taught at Oundle Swimming Pool on mornings and PE by Mr Tranmer on Friday mornings.

# Religious Education

As <u>theologists</u>, the children will compare the teachings and stories of Christianity, Judaism and Islam.

### **Important Dates**

Monday: Spellings handed out, swimming (AM)

Thursday: Homework handed in and library books changed (if needed).

**Friday:** P.E. (outdoor) with Mr Tranmer (AM), French with Madame Warnes (AM), times tables test and spelling test. Miss Seaton is out of the classroom Friday AM

30<sup>th</sup> June – class trip to Fitzwilliam Museum

18th July – PrepareRobo workshop

### Homework

Year Four will be given weekly spellings that will be tested that Friday. Although we will focus on these in school, practice at home would be much appreciated.

The children will also be asked to complete a 'Learning Journal' as part of their homework. They will be asked to demonstrate their learning from literacy, numeracy or topic sessions that week, and they may choose their own way of doing so. Please see the front of their Learning Journal for further details and ideas.

Reading is an integral part to all learning. Please encourage your child to read independently, and when possible hear them read aloud. It is important that your child understands and can talk about what they are reading as well as decoding the words. Please use the suggested questions at the front of the reading record to help you with this

Homework will be given on Fridays for completion by the following Thursday.

### **Useful Websites:**

Literacy activities:

http://www.crickweb.co.uk/ks2literacy.html

http://www.letterjoin.co.uk/

Maths activities:

http://www.crickweb.co.uk/ks2numeracy.html

http://www.ukmt.org.uk/team-challenges/primary-team-maths-resources/

Science activities:

http://www.educationcity.com/uk/primary-schools/science

http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/topics/zkbbkqt

If you have any questions or comments, please speak to me in the playground at the end of the day, or you can write a note in the reading diary. If you wish to discuss an issue in more depth, please do not hesitate to make an appointment.

Miss Seaton

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