

English

In English, we will be writing a range of fiction and non-fiction texts including suspense writing, newspaper reports, balanced arguments and poetry. We will continue with regular practise spelling, punctuation and grammar, whilst focusing on handwriting where needed. The children will also be using focused reading comprehension skills in our weekly sessions.

Design and Technology

In D&T, we will be using knowledge gained alongside our electricity unit in science to create a steady hand game. We will identify the components needed and design one of our own according to the design criteria. It will need a secure base and a functioning circuit assembled within a case that will need to be tested.

Geography

In geography, Class 4 will be introduced to the wilder side of the world with an extreme weather topic! This topic covers range of subjects exploring the Earth's greatest natural disasters and extreme weather phenomena, from raging tropical storms to violent erupting volcanoes to

Music

In music, we will be appreciating and understanding the wide range of high-quality live and recorded music drawn from different traditions and from great composers and musicians.

French

We will be continuing to develop our knowledge of French culture and language.

Mathematics

Throughout this term, the children will continue to develop their mathematics skills through regular practise of basic skills, focused sessions on developing new skills and a range of reasoning and problem-solving activities. The children will be developing their knowledge of formal multiplication and division, as well as fractions, decimals and percentages. Additionally, we will continue to consolidate our times tables knowledge up to 12×12 , measure and shape work.

Class 4 Spring Term 2025

Our whole school topic weeks this term include Children's Mental Health Week beginning on the 3rd of February, and British Science Week throughout the 7th to the 16th of March.

Art and Design

Our art topic this term will look at the meaning behind art. We will analyse the intentions of Banksy; make ink symmetry prints inspired by psychologist Rorschach; tell a story using emojis; use drama to recreate a poignant war scene and be inspired by the ceramic work of Magdalene Odundo.

Religious Education

Our two questions we will be exploring this term are: 'Why do Hindus want to be good?' and 'What do Christians believe Jesus did to 'save' people?'

PSHE

In PSHE, we will be continuing with our 'Jigsaw' lessons. Our focuses for this term are 'Dreams and Goals' and 'Healthy Me'.

Science

In our science topics this term, we will explore light, how we see, shadows, reflection and refraction. We will learn how light travels and how this enables us to see objects. We will also study electricity, where we will construct simple series circuits to help answer questions about what happens when try different components.

History

This term, Class 4 will explore the fascinating Kingdom of Benin civilisation together. They will find out where the Kingdom of Benin was located, what life was like, and how society was organised. They will also investigate the artefacts and evidence that remain of this civilisation.

Computing

In computing, we will build upon their knowledge of how networks and the Internet are able to share information. They will also learn about the automated motor vehicle, Mars Rover, exploring how and why the Mars Rover transfers data, understanding how messages can be sent using binary code.

Physical Education

In P.E this term we will be exploring gymnastics, dance, badminton & cricket.

How you can help...

Please support your child at home by reading for 20 minutes every night and signing their reading diaries ready. Part of their homework is to have a quick recall of multiplication and division facts up to 12×12 on TT Rockstars. Also, accessing Spelling Shed and Century Tech, working on identifying and closing gaps in learning. In addition to their homework, you could encourage your child to find some books about our topics in the library or find some relevant information on the internet. Please ask if you need any further advice on the above. 😊