

English

This term, we will start our English off by writing a setting description based on Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. After, this we will complete a non-chronological report on Ancient Greece mythological creatures. After half term we will then be writing instructions on how to slay the minotaur and an explanation on the digestion system.

Maths

During this term we will be focusing on **multiplication and division and length and perimeter, fractions and decimals**. There will be a continued emphasis on problem solving, fluency and reasoning to deepen understanding. The children will continue to develop the skills needed to be successful problem solvers. We will begin to work on our Times Table work as in year 4 this is a focus due to the Times Table check during summer term.

Science

In science this term, we will be learning about **states of matter** including changing states. Our focus will be on what is a solid, liquid and gas and whether they can change state. We will be exploring these through practical experiments. We will also be looking at **animals including humans**, focusing on the digestive system, teeth and food chains.

How you can help at home

- Give your child time to read as well as read with them. Additionally, reading harder books and talking about what has happened.
- Visit the library to see what books you can find about the Stone Age or use EPIC at the weekend! <https://www.lovereading4kids.co.uk/> is also a great reading resource!
- Practise mental maths using online resources on Numbots and TTRockstars
- Practise spelling and grammar using online resources on Topmarks

Year 4 Topic Map

Spring

Ancient Greece



PSHE and British Values

We will be looking at our unit Good to be me focusing on what community means and how different groups make a community. We will be focusing on recognising diversity within countries and cultures and to be able to challenge narrow stereotypes of countries and cultures. We will also be focusing on different peoples values, culture lifestyles.

Religious Education

In RE, our learning begins with Hinduism. We will explore Hinduist beliefs and their different gods and goddesses. We will also learn about Mandirs and their importance within a Hindu temple. Then, we will learn about why Christians celebrate Easter, its religious significance and the events leading up to Jesus' resurrection.

Foundation Subjects

In History, we will be learning about Ancient Greece. We will look at what life was like during ancient Greece and greek mythology. We will also learn about how certain states overcame invasion and who Alexander the great was and how he became a significant leader.

French

Children will learn how to say rooms in our home, who lives with them.

Art

We will find out about mixing paint to create a sunset effect and to make a silhouette. We will also be making clay pots and decorating them in an Ancient Greek style.

Music

This term we will be having music lessons through West Sussex to learn the recorder. We will be having a music teacher come to teach us how to play and learn a number of different songs.

Computing

We will be learning how to design and create our own web page and to learn about data handling via investigating weather and making our own weather presentations.

Key vocabulary:

Archaeologist, excavation, Athens, Sparta, Citizen, Slave, Gods and Goddesses, Olympian, Zeus, Temple, Myth, Empire

