



ILSHAM

Year 4 Curriculum Information – Summer

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English

The children will be developing their previous skills and knowledge to create their own script for a factual tour. As writers, they will be 'writing to inform'. The children will be building on their knowledge of writing to inform from previous terms and will be including more literary techniques including subordinating conjunctions and fronted adverbials. We will also use the book, 'Secrets of a Sun King' as our focus and will be rinsing the text for its powerful vocabulary to inspire our sentence stacking lessons.

MFL French - Pupils will have the knowledge and skills to talk about what experience they can expect in a café. They will focus on using previously learnt grammar in the context of new vocabulary and will demonstrate a growing ability to create independent responses.



R.W.

In Religion and Worldviews, we are asking the question, 'How do people from religious and non-religious communities celebrate key festivals?' The children will be exploring marriages, Bat and Bar Mitzvas and the Hindu 'Thread Ceremony'.



Maths

As mathematicians, Hollies will be building on their knowledge of fractions and identifying connections between these and decimals. The children will learn a variety of different strategies to help them problem solve, as well as exploring a range of methods that they can use across all areas of their maths learning. Great emphasis will be put on the reason the children select their methods to solve problems and the children will explore and explain their choices so to build mathematic thinkers.

Computing

The children will develop their understanding of how digital images can be changed and edited and how they can then be resaved and reused. They will consider the impact that editing images can have and evaluate the effectiveness of their choices.

Music - Summer 1's focus will be the pentatonic scale. Music from around the world, through history and across many traditions and cultures, is based on the pentatonic scale. Children will experience a range of pieces, with opportunities for improvisation and composing using classroom percussion instruments. They will also compose music to accompany film and will finally learn to sing and play in a folk-rock style using tuned percussion instruments.



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Physical Education

This term in PE, we will be developing their skills in tennis, rounders, cricket and athletics. In tennis, children will learn how to control a racket, send and return a ball with increasing accuracy, and develop footwork and positioning. Through rounders and cricket, they will build their striking and fielding skills and learning the basic rules of each game. In athletics, children will take part in running, jumping and throwing activities, focusing on improving technique.

Art and/or Design Technology

Our focus artist this term is the photographer, Mika Ninagawa. Her work is beautifully vivid and inspired by nature. The children will research, plan and stage their own pieces before photographing them. In DT, children will design, make and evaluate a moving toy that responds to light using a programming system called Crumble.

Relationships and Health Education –

In Summer 1's Economic Wellbeing unit, children will explore how people earn, save, and spend money, as well as the difference between needs and wants. They will also learn about the importance of looking after money safely. In The Changing Body unit, pupils will begin to understand how their bodies may change as they grow older, including simple, age-appropriate learning about body differences, personal privacy, and how to look after themselves as they develop.

Science

As scientists, Hollies are focusing on 'Animals, including humans'. They will be learning about the digestive system, investigating the impact of poor diet on dental health and looking at food chains of a variety of animals. The children will be working scientifically by using a variety of scientific enquiry and will have the opportunity to explore their learning through fun and engaging experiments. They will be conducting fair tests and observing what happens when something is heated or cooled which will lead onto learning about the water cycle.

History

As historians, we are exploring Ancient Egypt and asking the questions; 'What did the Ancient Egyptians believe?' 'How do we know, and how different were beliefs in Ancient Egypt from today?' We will use timelines, primary and secondary sources and historical lines of questioning. Children will also ask why temples, tombs and pyramids were built and research the role of Tutankhamun on Earth.

Geography

As geographers, our key question is 'How have rivers impacted on the environment and people's lives?' We will first study the features of rivers, how they are formed and then focus in on a comparison if a local river and the River Nile. The children will explore how humans impact the natural world around them and learn how we can become global stewards of the future.