

Autumn Term 1st Half 2026 – Year 4



English

We are beginning the half term by writing a newspaper article inspired by the events that happen in story 'The Nothing to See Here Hotel'. We will then move on to writing a non-chronological report based on a short clip called 'The Egyptian Pyramids'. The children will be able to make cross-curricula links with History with this piece of writing. We will round off the term with a setting description and narrative inspired by the text 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory'.

We are reading...

Reading:

Throughout the week, children will be listened to read to help increase their fluency in reading. During our ERIC lessons, we will check their understanding of VIPERS (Vocabulary, Inference, Predicting, Explanation, Retrieval and Summarising) skills. Please still; listen to them read at home.

Maths

This half term we will begin with consolidating our understanding of Place Value, looking at the portioning of a number, numbers up to 10,000 and what more or less means. Next, we will focus on addition and subtraction.

The children will also be practising their fluency of timetables using TT Rockstars and other multiplication activities.

Science

In science this half term, we will focus on states of matter and will explore:

- Solids, liquids and gases
- Changes of state
- Using equipment
- Melting experiment
- Water cycle
- Evaporation experiment

History

This half term, we will learn about the Ancient Egyptians and looking at the achievements of this ancient civilisation. We will learn about how and where the ancient Egyptians lived, what was important to the daily lives of ancient Egyptians, who Tutankhamun was and how mummies were made. In addition to this, we will learn about how Egyptian people used hieroglyphs to communicate and compare the powers of different gods.



RE

This half term we will be focusing on the religion of Islam. With the theme being 'The 99 Names of Allah'.

The children will explore the key question: How special is Allah to Muslims? Throughout this half term.

Music

We start this half term with the unit 'Musical Structures' and exploring the key question:
How Does Music Bring Us Together?

Computing

In our computing lessons this half term we will be learning about animation and creating our animation using different applications.

PE

PE will be on **Tuesday** and **Friday**, please send your child to school wearing their PE kit on these days.

Autumn 2nd Half:
Football and Tag rugby.

Swimming will be on Wednesday

French

Our French topic this half term is 'Portraits'. We will learn the vocabulary to describe features of the face to describe a portrait.

PSHE

Meet Your Brain teaches children how their brain works, introducing key parts like the Amygdala, hippocampus and pre-frontal cortex. As well as focusing on managing emotions, building resilience, and using "Happy Breathing" to stay calm. Then we will move on to My Happy Mind Places, which is a self-regulation and emotional-management toolkit

Art

This half term we are exploring Drawing by exploring tone, composition, texture and proportion with pencils.