

Location, Location

English	This half term, the children will be writing newspaper articles of both fairy tales and real life events. We will be developing our understanding of sentence structure and using this to improve our reporting skills. We will progress to writing newspaper reports on King Tutankhamun. As well as this, we will continue to develop our language and punctuation skills.
Maths	We will be learning about fractions and developing our understanding of equivalent fractions and how to find them using different strategies. We will also learn how to find fractions of a number and will link all of this to converting fractions to decimals. By the end of this half term, we hope to be able to convert between simple fractions and decimals mentally. We will revisit written and mental methods for each of the 4 operations.
Science	Not covered this half term
Computing	We spend time this half term developing our own educational games on Purple Mash and building on skills learnt in Autumn 2.
History	<p>This half term, our topic is 'The Ancient Egyptians' and is one of our favourite topics in Year 4! We learn about how people lived at the time and about the beliefs that they had.</p> <p><u>Some of the key objectives are:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *To place events, people and changes in correct periods on a timeline. *To understand the beliefs of the Ancient Egyptians and develop an understanding of the Gods and Goddesses. *To understand the process of mummification. *To develop an understanding of the importance of The Nile to The Ancient Egyptians. *To ask and answer a variety of historical questions
Geography	<p>As part of our Location, Location topic we learn about the importance of The Nile and the role that it played in the life of The Ancient Egyptians. We will discover how it changed each season and what The Nile is like today.</p> <p><u>The key objectives are:</u></p> <p><u>Physical Geography:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Identifying key rivers in the world. <p><u>Human Geography:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Describe types of settlements and land use (Linked to Egypt - farming / flooding).
Physical Education	During this half term, we will develop our football skills, focusing on dribbling, passing and shooting. We will also be working as teams in gym, looking at ways of travelling around the room and using different apparatus to do so in groups.
Art and Design	During our Ancient Egyptian topic, we get to take part in quite a few art and design activities. We get to practice being an Egyptian scribe and use a grid to help us recreate an image accurately. We also get to create some Egyptian jewellery using foil, paint and glue.
Design and	Not covered this half term.

Technology	
Music	<i>As part of our Egyptians topic, we will learn some songs that will help us to remember the facts that we have learnt.</i>
Religious Education	<i>During this half term, we will be focusing on Sikhism. Our topic will cover the 5 K's, what it means to be a Sikh and comparing Sikhism to other religions.</i>
PSHE	<i>Weekly whole school assembly themes (see assembly themes) and relevant whole class THRIVE activities. Children will have the opportunity to take part in Stepping Out training to develop their ability to cross the road safely.</i>
Spanish (KS2 only)	<i>The children will develop their understanding of spoken and written Spanish and will learn about animals. The focus will be on pronouncing words and phrases accurately.</i>