

Year 4 Information Sheet

Spring 2021



**Reminders:**

Please ensure that you are listening to your child read three times per week to be entered in to our prize raffles.

Please ensure that you are asking your child times table and division questions.

## **Year 4**

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**English**

We will be linking our writing to our topic work. To begin with, we will focus on the fascinating twist on a well-known classic – The Egyptian Cinderella! We will learn how to use fronted adverbials and adverbial phrases to develop our sentences openers. We will develop our understanding of subordinate clauses and how we can use them at the start or a sentence or the end. We will also focus on our use of descriptive language to eventually write our own version of The Egyptian Cinderella. The children will also write a news paper report about Howard Carter, Lord Carnarvon and the famous discovery of King Tut’s tomb! We will continue our focus on sentence openers and connectives but also focus on direct and reported speech.

**Maths**

In the Autumn term, we will focus on place value, addition and subtraction, length and perimeter and multiplication and division. In Spring, we will use our times table knowledge to better understand area and begin to look at formal methods for multiplication and division. The children will also begin to represent ‘whole amounts’ using fractions and decimals

Times tables are an important part of maths learning in every year group. In year 4, children need to be able to fluently recall all their multiplication and division facts (TT Rockstars is fantastic for this). We will support the children extensively with this. The stronger their recall with these, the easier they will be able to access other areas of maths. Please support your child with learning them.

**Science**

Children will explore a variety of everyday materials and develop simple descriptions of the states of matter – that solids hold their shape, liquids form a pool and gases escape from an unsealed container. Water will be used to represent a solid, a liquid and a gas through heating and cooling.

**Theme**

Our topic for this term is ‘Captivating Civilisations’ with a particular focus on the Ancient Egyptians. We will learn about their advancements and how they have impacted the life we live today. For example, the earliest uses of make-up and perfume! We will also study the Valley of the Kings, Howard Carter and Tutankhamun and the significance of the Nile.

**Diary Dates**

TBC! We will be arranging some in class competitions on TTRS! And some between different classes! Keep an eye out on Teams for a message about when these are.