



Chapter 4 Learning Journey

English

In English, we will be studying the text 'Manfish - A Story of Jacques Cousteau' by Jennifer Berne. We will use this as an impetus for learning new vocabulary, studying the structure of the text and writing two different text types: an invention narrative and a biography. Spellings with continue with weekly checks on Fridays.

Geography

In Geography, we will be learning about deserts. We will learn what defines a desert (and what doesn't!), find out about the different deserts around the world. We will be discussing how deserts are formed and why some are growing!

Mathematics

In Maths, we will be learning about different 2d and 3d shapes firstly, then coordinates. We will learn how to use these to draw and identify shapes. We will then do some work on translations. After this, we will study number patterns, and use our mathematical skills to solve pattern-based problems, as well as coming up with our own.

Spanish La Copa Mundial 2026

This half term, Year 4 lessons will be based around the World Cup 2026. Pupils will look at Mexico, where some of the games will be played and will learn the names of countries taking part, in Spanish and their flag colour. They will also learn how to describe a football kit in Spanish and create their own kit and will learn vocabulary associated with the football pitch and game. They will revise numbers 1-40 and practise position and agreement of adjectives.

Religious Education

In RE, the children will be learning about Islam, and in particular, Ramadan. We will learn about its origins, how its celebrated today, and why it is so important to people who are Muslim.

Science

In Year 4, we will be focusing on the History of Science by discussing if we think science existed in prehistoric times. We will then be looking at how Ancient Greeks, Romans and Egyptians used science to respond to challenges they faced. Then, we will be thinking about science in the middle ages, thinking about the challenges they faced. We will finish our topic by looking at modern science and will explain how recent scientists have introduced new ideas, as well as the how they have changed the way people think in the world.

Computing In Computing, we will be using data loggers to collect and analyse data. We will think about what this data can tell us, how we can collect and store it effectively, and then how we can properly analyse it to find the answers we want.

Music

All Strummed Out This half term children are learning the ukulele. They will read TAB notation and learn songs with up to 4 chord progressions. They will perform music together as a class. We will explore tonality and develop and understanding of the difference between major and minor chords.

Physical Education

This half term, we will be doing tennis in our PE lessons. We will learn different techniques to improve our hand-eye coordination, and we will practise a range of tennis shots. In Games, this term, we will be playing rounders, Kwik Cricket or tennis.

DT

In DT this term, we will be building marble runs. We will design and make exciting paths for our marbles to run through, thinking of ways to build structures that allow us to do this, and how we can improve them to make them more exciting.

History

This is the second unit in history where children will study early Islamic civilisations, with a particular emphasis on Cordoba, the city of light. Students will begin this unit by drawing upon locational knowledge and trade geography to explore this ancient city. Pupils will indulge in the splendours of Islamic accomplishment in Cordoba's art, architecture, academia and science. Students will explore how Jews, Christians, and Muslims coexisted, collaborated on significant construction projects, and fostered a culture of mutual learning. They will learn about the magnificent library of Cordoba and discover how it is a testament to the way members of all three religions contributed to the advancement of knowledge.

LC+

In LC+ this half term, the children will be preparing for their final LC+ presentation assembly. The children will have the opportunity to recap all of the topics they have done this year, as well as practising individual performances. We look forward to presenting everything in front of our families and friends at the end of the term.

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