

## SCIENCE

Our Science Topic for this term is Electricity. Children will explore and experiment with common conductors and insulators by first making predictions and testing them afterwards. They will be considering what common appliances require electricity and identifying the parts of a simple circuit. They will also be testing circuits using different bulbs, numbers of batteries and wires.



## GEOGRAPHY

This term in geography, the children will learn about the location of Egypt and the importance of the River Nile. They will consider how the River Nile contributed to Egypt's success and they will examine daily life. They will also look at the land around the River Nile.



## HISTORY

During this unit, Year 4 will explore one of the earliest civilisations of Ancient Egypt. They will learn about how we have used artefacts to tell us about life in Ancient Egypt. They will study the creation of the pyramids and why pharaohs were buried there. The children will look at Egyptian beliefs and mythology which permeated Egypt at the time.



## ENGLISH

**Key Text:**

The Egyptian Cinderella

**Writing Outcomes:**

Children will be exploring language and the use of imagery in writing. They will be writing their own setting description, as well as a diary entry in character. They will also be writing newspaper reports and information texts about Egypt and writing in role as Howard Carter discovering Tutankhamun.

**Key Writing Skills:**

Children will focus on writing in third person for their narratives. They will learn about writing strategies that make a effective narrative such as fronted adverbials, similes, metaphors, alliterations, personifications and speech. They will also learning about the use of commas for demarcating clauses.



## PSHE / SMSC

This term, our school's focus is 'Being Me' and the children will be thinking about their role within the school and wider world. They will be learning about democracy and responsibilities.



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## AUTUMN TERM

**Year 4**

**Theme:** Egyptians

**Key Golden Question:** What did the Egyptians believe?

**Hook:** Mummifying a body

**PE is on:** Wednesday

**Homework is due in:** Wednesday

**Trip:** Egyptian workshop (British Museum)

## MUSIC

Children will be focusing on the music created by Abba, listening and appraising, as well as learning some of their famous songs. They will explore also be learning to play songs through the use of games and various activities.



## MATHEMATICS

**Topics:**

- Place Value- comparing and ordering numbers to 1000 and beyond
- Addition and subtraction—up to 4 digit numbers with and without regrouping
- Multiplication and subtraction using the column method
- Time

**Mental Maths:**

Times tables  $\times 4 \times 8$

10 more and 10 less

Doubling and halving

Number bonds up to 20 (e.g.  $17 + 3 = 20$ )



## ART, DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY

The children will be looking at tomb paintings and using drawing and painting will practise their shading skills, considering how different lines create different effects.

