

Heber Primary School

Year 4 Curriculum Overview Autumn 2025

We hope you had an enjoyable and a relaxing break. Please find below details of the Year 4 curriculum for the Autumn Term 2025!

Our Topic - Egypt and the Nile

History - Who were the Ancient Egyptians and what have we learnt about them?

Geography - What are rivers and how are they used?

PE Days - Please ensure that your child has a complete PE kit (white or Heber Fun Run T-shirt, blue/black shorts or tracksuit bottoms. NO football kits). Children should only ever wear stud earrings so that they can participate. Year 4 have PE on the following days.:

4S — Thursday AM and PM (Outdoor and Indoor)
(4S can come to school in their PE kit on Thursdays)

4DL — Tuesday (indoor) and Friday (outdoor)

Library Days - Please ensure that your child brings their library book to be returned on these days:

4S — Monday

4DL — Tuesday

Home Learning - Each week on Google Classroom, we will provide your child with a Maths fluency task that they will need to complete. This will be linked to their times tables or a written method we have been doing in class. The children should also be using Mathletics—we will set a weekly task for them to complete—and Times Tables Rock stars. Alongside the Maths home learning, there is also a half termly spelling list for your child to learn. This will be assessed through your child's application of these words in the classwork in school, not a spelling test as was previously the case.

Diary Dates:

Wednesday 3rd September - Start of Autumn Term

Tuesday 16th September - Immersion Day (Dress up linked to Ancient Egypt)

Wednesday 17th September - Years 4 Curriculum Meeting and Teacher Reception

Thursday 2nd October - Year 4 Music Trip to Horniman Museum

Monday 10th November - Anti-Bullying Week

Monday 17th November - STEAM Week

Week Beginning 20th October - Parents' Evening Week

Wednesday 22nd and Thursday 23rd October - School photo day (individuals and siblings)

Monday 27th to Friday 31st November - Half Term

Monday 24th November - Flu Vaccination Week

Friday 5th December - Year 3 and 4 Christmas Performance

Friday 19th December - Last day of Autumn Term (2pm finish)














Further Information - If you would like more information about our curriculum, school routines, how you can support your child's learning at home, how we support children with additional needs, policies and procedures or if you would like to talk about how your child is getting on please see us at the end of the school day or leave a message in the school office.

Year 4 Team - Hollyann Darby (Phase Leader and 4DL Class Teacher Wed-Fri), Leyla Leondis (4DL Class Teacher Mon-Wed), Jonathan Stableford (4S) and Nurat Jaji (Learning Support Assistant)

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Our Curriculum

English 	<p>Black Dog: A text which encourages the children to write imaginatively, building on their ability to use adventurous noun phrases and encourages them to use a range of punctuation.</p> <p>The Story of Tutankhamen: We will explore the history of Tutankhamen and write reports about Ancient Egypt before going on to find out about Howard Carter and his discovery. The sequence finishes with children writing a biography.</p>
Maths 	<p>Using the White Rose scheme of learning, we will cover the following areas this term:</p> <p>Number - Place Value, Addition and Subtraction, Multiplication and Division</p> <p>Measurement - Perimeter and Length</p>
Science 	<p>Living things and their Habitats - We will learn what makes a living thing, how to classify animals by their characteristics and how habitats and animals interact.</p> <p>Electricity - We will learn how electricity can help us, how to construct simple circuits, how to identify circuits which work, how switches control circuits and which materials are good electrical conductors.</p>
History 	<p>We will examine artefacts from Ancient Egypt and explain what they show us about that time in history. We will research the past using a range of media and select the most relevant information. We will explain the achievements of Ancient Egypt as part of African history.</p>
Geography 	<p>We will learn about Rivers and how industry and agriculture has developed around it. We will describe and understand how Rivers are used, where we can find them and we will also undertake some field investigations using the River Thames.</p>
Computing 	<p>All children start each term with a small digital citizenship block in support of all of our learning in Computing. They will then be developing their collaborative working skills whilst learning about how to create word documents, spreadsheets, presentation and online forms. In the second half of the term the children will be developing their coding skills by learning about variables.</p>
RE 	<p>We will learn about Hinduism as our topic, including looking at Hindu shrines and the Mandir. The children will learn how Hindus express their beliefs about God and how this compares to other religions.</p>
PSHE 	<p>An ongoing focus on the well being of our children will underpin our PSHE lessons. Alongside this, children will learn what it means to 'Be My Best' as we touch on how to keep healthy, Growth Mindset, goal setting and achievement.</p>
PE 	<p>The focus this term will be on creative play and tactical skills across various sports, including hockey. Emphasis will be placed on enhancing teamwork abilities. The indoor curriculum will focus on dance and gymnastics.</p>
Art and Design 	<p>Portraits! The children will research and identify how identity and community is represented within drawing and painting. They will reflect on themselves and family in their work. Our focus artists for this half term include Frida Kahlo, Kehinde Wiley, Amy Sheldon, Lynette Yiadom-Boakye and Modigliani who provide key inspiration for imaginative portraits.</p>
Music 	<p>The children will develop their ability to recognise and use pentatonic scales and to work with 4 X 4 beat phrases. They will learn to improvise within the scale, and compose short pentatonic melodies.</p>
Spanish 	<p>To write greetings, colours, countries, numbers and say their age and where they live.</p>
Curriculum Enrichment 	<p>Immersion Day – Our immersion day for this term's topic will be on 16th September, linked to Ancient Egypt. Come in dressed up as something linked to Ancient Egypt.</p> <p>School trip - We are planning on going to the Horniman Museum for an Egyptian artefacts workshop, after half term. Dates TBC. We will also be exploring micro habitats in Dulwich Park as part of our Science topic.</p>