Be Resilient Be Ambitious Be Curious Be Compassionate

Year 4 Curriculum Map - Autumn Term 2026

Science



Grouping and Classifying Living Things

In this unit the children will recognise that living things can be grouped in a variety of ways. They will explore and use classification keys to help group, identify and name a variety of living things in their local and wider environment. They will recognise that environments can change and that this can sometimes pose dangers to living things.

States of Matter

In this unit the children will compare and group materials together, according to whether they are solids, liquids or gases. They will observe that some materials change state when they are heated or cooled, and measure or research the temperature at which this happens in degrees Celsius (°C) They will identify the part played by evaporation and condensation in the water cycle and associate the rate of evaporation with temperature.

Physical Education



Dance

Games

PSHE & RSHE



Jesus My Friend

Personal Relationships

Religious Education



Creation and Covenant

In this unit pupils will learn that a covenant is a sacred, binding agreement and promise of love between God and His people. They will explore the call of Abraham and Sarah, God's blessings and land promises, and the test of faith involving Isaac, which foreshadows New Testament themes. They will also often cover the later stories of Joseph, examining themes of forgiveness, trust, and divine providence.

Prophecy and Promise

In this unit pupil will deepen their understanding of prophecy by studying key prophetic figures such as Isaiah, Elijah and John the Baptist. They will learn that prophets call people back to faithfulness, challenge, injustice and prepare the way for God's saving work. They will explore how prophecy is linked to covenant and how God remains faithful even when people turn away.

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In this unit the children will investigate, plan, design, make and evaluate their own Roman purses.

Art



In this unit the children will develop their skills using pencil, colour, paint, clay and textiles to create quality art work that shows progression in their skill. They will also explore the work of the designer, Carl Warner, textile artist, Michael Brennand-Wood and Italian painter, Caravaggio.

History



Impact of the Roman Empire

This unit is about the impact of the Roman invasion and the legacy left that modernised Britain. They will learn that the Romans impacted every part of our daily life including, languages, money, number system, calendar, laws and legal system. They will also learn about the technologies and architecture that the Romans founded in Britain including the heating and drainage system, a structure of towns and roads, bridges, aqueducts, temples and monuments. The modernisation of hygiene and the arts and the impact that had on civilisation. Also, they will learn how the Romans brought with them their own gods, which merged with native British god's eventually creating a new religion that overpowered the old pagan ways.

Geography



Extreme Earth

Extreme Earth unit will teach the children about the destructive powers of nature, from volcanoes and earthquakes to tsunamis and tornadoes. Through discussion and practical tasks, children will learn about how and why these natural phenomena occur, and the ways in which they affect people and the environment. They will also discuss possible preventative measures that can be put in place to protect life and infrastructure.

Music - Recorder



This year the children in year 4 will continue to learn how to play the recorder. They will learn how to read musical notation and develop their musical awareness.