

Hunmanby Primary School Year 4 Curriculum Newsletter **Summer term**

Dear Parents/ Carers,

We hope you have all had a lovely Easter. Please find below an overview of our term.

Ancient Civilisations

We will start the term with a history topic called 'Ancient Civilisations'. This project teaches children about the history of three of the world's first ancient civilisations: ancient Sumer, ancient Egypt and the Indus Valley civilisation. Children will learn about the rise, life, achievements and eventual end of each civilisation.



English and maths

In our literacy work this term, we are continuing our whole school approach to writing 'The Write Stuff'. We will be writing a diary entry linked to our history topic on ancient civilisations, a narrative fantasy and a biography.

In maths, we will continue our work on decimals before moving onto money and time. We will finish the term by focussing on geometry and statistics.



We will have a weekly (online) times table test and will be using TTRS to support our instant recall. The statutory times tables test for year 4s will take place in June. On Fridays, raffle tickets are given to children who practice their times tables at home.

A colorful grid of multiplication tables. The columns are labeled 1x, 2x, 3x, 4x, 5x, 6x, 7x, 8x, 9x, and 10x. Each column contains the corresponding multiplication facts from 1 to 10. The grid is designed to be easy to read and use for practice.

Science and computing- In science, we will be learning about electrical circuits and conductors. We will construct simple series circuits and name their parts and functions, including switches, wires and cells. We will investigate electrical conductors and insulators and identify common features of conductors. We will also learn about programmable devices. In computing, we will finish our work on data logging and photo editing. After half term, we will explore the concept of repetition in programming using Scratch.

Art and D&T - Our art and design project in the first half term is 'Statues, Statuettes and Figurines'. This project teaches children about the 3-D representation of the human form, including statues, statuettes and figurines. Our second project will be 'Islamic Art'. This project teaches children about the features of Islamic art. The children will make geometric patterns and motifs using various techniques. Our topic this term in design and technology is 'Tomb Builders. This project teaches how certain inventions helped ancient builders to lift and move heavy loads.

PSHE and music- Our PSHE focus this term is 'Safety and the Changing Body'. This term, we will be following Charanga for our music sessions. We will be learning and performing 'Blackbird' by The Beatles during the first half term.



PE – Our PE sessions will remain on a Wednesday and Friday afternoon. We will be outside wherever possible so please dress accordingly in line with the school uniform policy. We will begin with Outdoor Adventurous Activities and then focus on athletics followed by cricket and badminton.

French and RE will be taught by Mrs Collier-Woods this term. In RE, they will explore two questions- Firstly, 'Why is the Bible the best-selling book of all time?' and then 'Does the language of scripture matter?' They will work on French numbers, calendars and birthdays as well as French food this term.

Reading at home

The children have made excellent progress with their reading so this year. Thank your support at home with this. We ask that the children continue to read a **minimum of 3 times per week**. This term, they will get a ticket for every read.

We will continue to change our reading for pleasure book each Friday but can I remind children that they should have their books in school each week.

- Class Dojo remains our main reward system; everybody has their bronze certificate now and most have silver. I am confident we will get everyone to gold before the end of the year but will anyone make platinum?
- If you have any questions or concerns, please send me a message via Dojo or try to catch me on the playground before or after school.



Thanks,
Mrs Cerexhe

We do of course spend three days of the term in East Barnby which I am really looking forward to! ☺