



Year 4 Heron Class Curriculum

This broad overview identifies the main aspects of learning each half term for all subjects. This, of course, is only a flavour of our Year 4 Curriculum which is carefully designed to inspire and challenge all our learners. Our ambitious curriculum is accessed through a wide range of experiences including whole class teaching, group and individual personalised lessons; all of which motivate, enthuse and encourage independent and collaborative learning.

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
English	Iron Man Explanation text – Iron man trap Non chronological report about the Iron Man	Theseus and the Minotaur Myth different gift and different monster. Newspaper article	The Lost Happy Endings Description of all the sad children. Character description Re – tell of how the happy endings were returned/retell one of the stories with the wrong ending. Kennings	The Land of Roar Adventure story Setting description	The Firework Maker’s Daughter Biography of a character. Diary	Everest What are Heavy? Christina Rossetti Persuasion leaflet – why people climb Everest. Letter home from Everest. Question answer poetry about the use of Everest
Mathematics	Number – place Value Number – addition and subtraction	Measurement – length and perimeter Number – multiplication and division	Number – multiplication and division Measurement – area	Number – fractions Number – decimals	Number – decimals Measurement – money Measurement – time	Statistics Properties of Shapes Geometry position and direction
Science	Electricity simple series electrical circuit, identifying and naming its basic parts.	Electricity simple series electrical circuit, identifying and naming its basic parts. common conductors and insulators	Animals Including Humans Digestive system Teeth and functions Food chains/webs	State of Matter Liquids, solids or gas. change state evaporation and condensation in the water cycle	Living Things and Their Habitats – classification keys to help group, identify and name a variety of living things	Sound Sounds vibrating. travel ear. pitch /volume of a sound

	common conductors and insulators				environments, threats and dangers	
Computing	Coding Hardware Investigators	Effective Search Creating a balanced argument – Podcasts	Online Safety Ollee – online safety APP Safer Internet Day PSHE units – keeping safe 2Email	Using Logo Writing for different audiences 2Connect, 2DIY	Digital Wellbeing – Be Internet Legends – Be Kind	Spreadsheets Animation and film 2Animate Imovies (Summer 2)
History and Geography	Greece Athens The battle of Marathon Greek democracy	Greece Chronology, evidence Legends Theseus and the Minotaur Everyday life - women	Romans Roman Empire/ Roman towns Britain invasion Julius Caesar Boudicca	Romans Comparing Romans and Greeks Roman legacy	Volcanoes How are volcanoes formed? How does a volcano erupt? What are the parts of a volcano?	Mountains mountain ranges / how they're formed geographical features.
Art and Design Technology	Structures – create a picture frame.	Sculpture 3D Roman sculpture The work of Antony Gormley compared with Roman statues. Look at Michaelangelo. Differences and similarities.	Mechanisms – leavers and linkages to create a creature.	Edward Munch The scream Look at a variety of Edward Munch's work? What do you notice? Why do you think this could be? How do colours express emotions? Look at Picasso's blue era work to compare.	Electronics – design and make a nightlight.	Man Ray Surrealism Compare Dali and Man ray. What is surrealism? What do some of the paintings mean?
Music	Ukulele - Introduction Carl Orff (10 pieces) music from different historical periods,	Ukulele skills Christmas Performance sing songs with a more complicated texture	Ukulele skills Grieg, Peer Gynt (10 Pieces)	Ukulele skills Instruments from around the world ensembles world instruments	Ukulele skills Beethoven, 5th Symphony (10 Pieces)	Ukulele performance performance take directions when working on a composition

	rhythm /steady pulse	carry on if I make a mistake	create my own ostinati and riffs play them in time	recognise musical notation and begin to use when playing	extended musical vocabulary to express personal taste	
Foreign Languages (French)	Presenting Myself Listen/ understand short phrases through physical response the indefinite article (le, la, les).	Family Write and say a simple phrase eg give age /pet	Habitats Read aloud familiar short sentences	At The Café Use familiar vocabulary to say simple sentences	The Classroom silent letter rules understanding of adjectives.	Goldilocks words of a rhyme, song or story sometimes from memory.
RE	What does it mean to be equal?	What similarities are there in celebrations of different faiths	How are important events remembered?	What faiths are shared in our country?	How do the Five Pillars guide Muslims?	Why are Gurus at the heart of Sikh belief and practice?
Mindmate	Mindmate Feeling good and being me	Mindmate Being the same, being different	Mindmate Strong emotions	Mindmate Family and friends	Mindmate Solving problems Making it better	Mindmate Life changes
PSHE	Mental health and emotional wellbeing	Identity, society and equality Democracy	Keeping safe and managing risk Playing safe NSPCC	Sex and relationship education Growing up and changing	Physical health and wellbeing What is important to me?	Drug, alcohol and tobacco education Making choices

Physical Education	Problem Solving Net and Wall - Tennis	Mindfulness Dance – Greeks	Dance- Cats Gymnastics -Bridge	Invasion Games Handball Tag Rugby	Outdoor Adventurous Activities Orienteering Athletics	Striking and Fielding Rounders Health Related Exercise
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