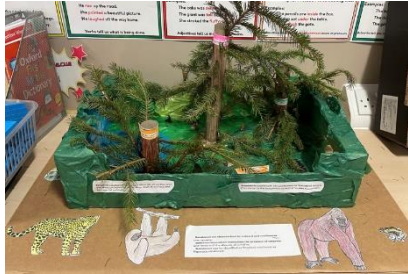




Highlights from last term ...



Curriculum and topic this term:

English: This term the children will explore **fantasy stories** and will be given the opportunity to write their very own fantasy story. They will also be exploring the features of **non-chronological reports** and will write a non-chronological report on the importance of the river Nile to the Egyptians.

Maths: In mathematics this term, we will be focusing on '**Multiplication and Division**', '**Area**', '**Fractions**' and '**Decimals**'.

Science: We will be continuing with our current science topics and then beginning our new topic, '**States of matter**' later in the Spring term.

Topic: Our topic for this term is the '**Ancient Egyptians**'. Within this topic, the children will learn when events from Ancient Egypt took place; the importance of the River Nile and understand what life was like as an Ancient Egyptian. The children will also design and make their own Egyptian burial masks.

R.E: In R.E. this term, the children will be learning about the Hindu religion and what it means to be a Hindu in Britain today.

French: The children will complete 30 minutes of French a week focusing on a wide range of different topics.

PSHE: This term we will be focusing on '**Emergency situations**' and '**Respect**'.

Special Events

Egyptian Day

On **Friday 14th January**, Year 4 are having an Egyptian themed day. The children will have the opportunity to mummify a tomato; decipher and create hieroglyphics and create some Egyptian artwork. The children can also dress up in Egyptian style clothes if they wish to, but this is not compulsory.



Western Power Production and Workshop

On **Wednesday 2nd March**, Western Power Distribution are coming into Leominster Primary School. Pupils will receive a theatrical assembly followed by workshops in the classrooms, where they will receive information on safety with electricity, the dangers and consequences as well as their responsibility to others.



Parental Engagement

If COVID restrictions allow, we are hoping to be able to invite parents, family and friends to join Year 4 for a maths themed Easter egg hunt in April (more details to follow).



Reminders

Please help us to keep your children fit and healthy by ensuring that children wear their correct PE uniform on their PE day:

4NP/4C – Friday

4S - Thursday



Children being excused from physical education for a medical reason should bring a note.

Swimming lessons for year 4 pupils will begin on **Tuesday 11th January** for 8 weeks. All payments and goggle permission slips can be completed via ParentMail.



If your child is **asthmatic**, please could you ensure that they have an inhaler, labelled with their name, in school **at all times!** It is also important that school has a copy of their care plan too – thank you for your co-operation.



As many of you already know, we are a healthy eating school and we would like to remind you that children should only bring in fruit to eat at break times. It is also very important children have a water bottle in school – we strongly encourage children to drink plenty of water throughout the day. Water helps keep them hydrated but also improves their levels of concentration and learning.

Homework

Please encourage your children to read as much as possible at home - recording reading comments in their reading journals regularly (parent comments/signature at least three times a week please). Children should read their accelerated reading book as much as possible but can also read other books that they enjoy if they wish to do so. It is also vitally important that you support your children with any spellings or times tables they may need to learn. Each half term, we will also set a task around our current topic. Please ask your children if they have any homework and give them every encouragement to do it – we greatly value your support in this area.

Dates	Events
14.1.22	Egyptian Day
11.01.22 18.01.22 25.01.22 01.02.22 08.02.22 15.02.22 01.03.22 08.03.22	Year 4 Swimming
Half Term Monday 21st February – Friday 25th February	
02.03.22	Western Power Production and workshop
03.03.22	World Book Day – Dress Up!
30.03.22 31.03.22	Parents' Evening
05.04.22	Year 4 Easter Performance (details to be confirmed closer to the date)
Date to be confirmed	Easter Egg hunt

Yours sincerely

The Year 4 Team: Miss Nash/Miss Powell, Mrs Styles and Miss Cunnington
Miss S Cartwright (Assistant Head)