

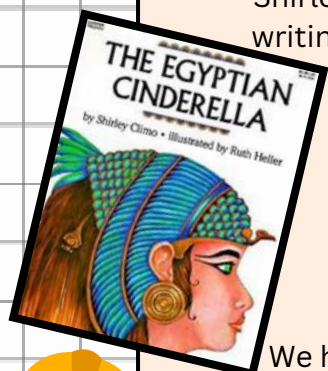
Year 4

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Well, we can hardly believe we are at the end of another term in Year 4 and it has been full of exciting things. The children have been working so hard and learning so much.

English lessons have allowed the children to really focus on improving the quality of their writing. They have written in a range of styles this term and our writing has been inspired by the book 'The Egyptian Cinderella' by Shirley Climo. Pupils have put lots of effort into improving their stamina for writing and enhancing their sentences using a range of sentence types, high level vocabulary and a variety of punctuation. Alongside our writing lessons, the children have been developing their spelling, punctuation and grammar skills which they have applied to their English work to up level their writing. Year 4 have managed to create many pieces of super work this term, of which they should be incredibly proud of.



We have covered a lot of topics in Maths this term. We have consolidated our learning about decimals, shape and angles, time, money, statistics, position and direction. We have also completed regular 'arithmetic' style tests to support the children's ongoing learning but to also secure their knowledge from this year. The children have also been working incredibly hard on their times tables knowledge both in school and as homework and the children took part in the National Multiplication Check in June and we are very proud of their achievements.



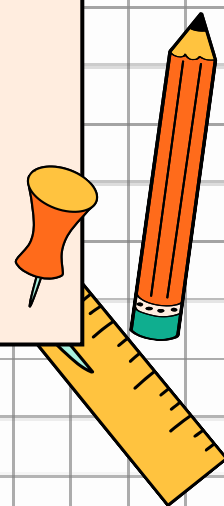
During PE lessons this term, the children have been practising their cricket skills and they were lucky enough to take part in a range of activities during Sports Week. This included laser tag, cricket and outdoor adventurous activities which required teamwork and determination. A lot of fun was had



by all. During Sports Day, the children were able to take part in many different activities and the children showed good sporting behaviours such as teamwork, dedication, respect, self-belief, honesty and passion. We would also like to thank the family members who came to support the



children. Year 4 were invited to attend the Cricket Festival at Hampton College against local primary schools. The children were a privilege to take to the event, they created such a supportive and encouraging atmosphere for each other and it was a great opportunity for the children to showcase their skills that they had learnt during PE sessions. We are very proud of everyone who took part in this event and even managed to come back to school with the winning trophy!



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In Science, we have had a fantastic term learning all about sound and living things and their environment. In the sound topic, we learnt about the structure of an ear, how sound travels, frequency and how pitch changes. The children carried out many experiments and have been using data loggers to record decibels during our sound survey. Following on from that, we have spent a lot of time learning about the difference between vertebrates and invertebrates and asking questions to help sort them. We also know about the 5 main vertebrate groups and the different features they all have. We completed the year by dissecting owl pellets and exploring their diets based on our findings. It has been a fast paced, yet fun term of Science.

In Art this term, the children have been very busy creating pastel Egyptian God pieces of art and developing their clay skills to make fantastic canopic jars. They have also been looking at the artist David Hockney and have painted their own Hockney inspired landscapes.

This term, we have been very busy studying our topic 'Farm to Fork'. We have discussed global issues such as Climate Change and the importance of Fairtrade. We have also discovered the process of how our food finds its way to our plates, both globally and locally and how this process impacts the globe. The children have enjoyed studying a Fairtrade product and discovering its journey to our local stores. We also had a visit from ABM (our school meal provider) and we were lucky enough to use a smoothie bike to blend some seasonal fruits, which the children were then able to taste.

What a blast we had at Sacrewell Farm Camp 2025! The children were amazing and took every new challenge in their stride. We spent the two days learning all about where our food comes from, how the mill works and dipping in the pond to identify what creatures were alive in the mill stream. Whilst it was a little cool at night, the weather didn't dampen our spirits and the campfire and the s'mores were a definite highlight. The play barn and play area were well used and everyone was incredibly well behaved!

Thank you for all your support this year.
Have a lovely summer holiday from
the Year 4 team

