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Year 4
Curriculum Overview
Autumn 2026

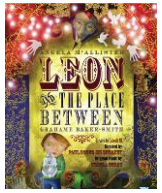
History and Geography



With our topic 'Roman Rule', we will use primary and secondary sources to learn who the Romans were and where they came from; explore key concepts related to 'invading' and 'settling'; Understand what made the Roman Army so powerful and formidable; understand the factors that led to the fall of the Roman Empire; identify how the Romans have influenced our lives today.

We will primarily be looking at the time of the Roman's invasion of Britain and their reign here.

English



The term begins with **'Leon and the Place Between'** which transports us to a circus, we will be producing a fantasy narrative based on the story



We will then move onto non-fiction texts. We will be using the features of this genre to write our own non-fiction pieces based on the Romans.

Maths



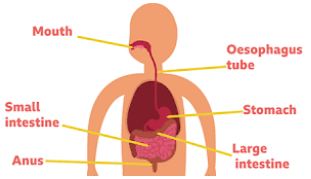
We will develop our understanding of new mathematical skills using the concrete, pictorial and abstract approach.

- **Number:** Place value – looking at numbers up to 10,000 and their place value, also looking at Roman Numerals.
- **Number:** addition and subtraction of 4-digit numbers including column methods and estimating and rounding.
- **Number:** multiplication and division, focussing on times tables including division facts and multiplying up to 3 numbers.

Science



In our topic about **electricity,** we will be learning how to keep safe around electricity, how to build a simple circuit, common insulators and conductors and building an electric circuit game.



In the second half of the term, we will be learning about '**animals including humans'**, describing the basic functions of the digestive system in humans, identifying the different types of teeth, constructing and interpreting a variety of food chains.

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Physical Education

Multi-skills: Our sports coaches from Team Kick Start will deliver lessons outside using an integrated approach, where children learn to coordinate a wide range of fundamental movement skills in various sports activities within each lesson.

PSHE



Mental Health and wellbeing.
Identity, society and equality: **Democracy**

Design & Technology

We will be designing and making our own Christmas light up cards, incorporating our learning from our science lessons.

Art

We will look at the significance of Roman mosaic art, creating our own mosaics using a variety of materials. We will continue to produce Roman inspired art looking at the use of sketchbooks and working collaboratively on group pieces.

Music - Recorder

We will continue our recorder lessons every Wednesday afternoon.

Taste Education

See - Blind tasting peppers

Touch - Textures of an apple

Computing

- Online safety – looking at our roles and responsibilities when online.
- Audio Editing – recording, producing and editing podcasts.

Spanish

- Greet each other, asking and answering names and about wellbeing
- Recognise aurally and in written form the numbers 1 – 20
- Respond to simple classroom commands
- Pronounce some of the key Spanish sounds correctly.

Religious Studies



Question: **Why is Jesus inspiring to some people?**

- Making connections between Jesus' teachings and how Christians live today.
- Describing how Christians celebrate Holy week and Easter Sunday
- Identifying the most important parts of Easter for Christians.

How to help your child

Reading aloud with your child is really important, so please encourage your child to read at least 5 times a week.
Help them to remember their **recorder** on a Tuesday and to a little bit of **practice** several times a week.

Please **practice timetables** in as many ways, and as often as possible - the expectation is that all children know all times tables and related division facts by the end of Year 4.

Children may bring a piece of fruit or vegetable for a **snack** at break time, this will keep them going until lunchtime.

Homework is set every **Friday** and should be brought in every **Wednesday.**
Homework Policy: https://canonburyprimaryschool.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2015/12/Homework-Policy-CPS-2023_12.pdf

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