

YEAR 4

SUMMER NEWSLETTER



April 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the summer term! Although we can all agree that this is not the summer term we had planned, we wanted to make sure we are here to support you with your child's learning over the coming weeks. From next week the school will be using the BBC Bitesize daily lessons. You should complete the suggested lessons each day. We will upload any worksheets that link to the lessons on Seesaw. The new [Home Learning Tab](#) on our school website has links to BBC Bitesize and to various other websites. Remember, even though we are not in the school building we are here to support you, so please get in touch via e-mail if you have any questions for the year 4 team. We miss you all very much, and cannot wait to see you again soon.

Ms Beese and Ms Ali

DESIGN TECHNOLOGY, SCIENCE AND ENGLISH

This term we want you to **design and make your own Ukulele** using recycled materials from around your home (shoe box/ cereal box/ string/ rubber bands). As our **topic for Science this term is sound**, have a go at experimenting with different types of string on your Ukulele. What sorts of sounds might thicker strings make compared to thinner strings?



English

Task one: Write a set of instructions for how to make a home-made Ukulele.

Task two: Write a non-chronological report about sound. Research the following information:

- What is sound? How is sound made?
- What do we use sound for? Why is it important?
- How does sound travel from a sound source to our ears?
- What is the difference between pitch and volume? How can you change the pitch and volume on different instruments?

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zgffr82>

ART

This term our focus is landscapes. You are allowed to go out on a local walk for one hour a day. Use this time to take photos of the landscape/ scenery around you. When you get home, sketch these photos and add colour. Use an A4 sheet of paper to do this, ensuring you use all the space. Here are some videos you can watch to help you learn the skills:

https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=landscape+sketching+easy

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OezMavBqWXc>

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MATHS

This term our focus for Maths will be measurement (time), statistics including interpreting data and position and direction.

We will be posting work on a weekly basis on Seesaw on these topics. Make sure you use the internet and all the other excellent free resources available online to help you with your learning.

HISTORY

This term, we will be learning about the ancient Egyptians. We would like you to make an information poster about the ancient Egyptians. Make sure it has a bold, eye-catching title and pictures!

Include information about the following:

- A map to show Egypt
- A timeline of significant events
- Daily life in ancient Egypt
- Pyramids
- Ancient Egyptian gods and goddesses
- Ancient Egyptian burial customs

We will send you a knowledge organiser to give you some information and you can do some additional research.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/daily-life-in-ancient-egypt/zfhtscw>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/zgkd7ty>

<http://www.ancientegypt.co.uk/gods/story/main.html>

<http://www.ancientegypt.co.uk/gods/explore/main.html>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/mummification-in-ancient-egypt/zdcrkmm>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/zwfvr82>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/z8j76sg>

PE

Create your own exercise routine (star jumps, hopping, skipping, sit ups, press ups etc). Carry out your exercise routine every day and see if you can gradually increase the number of each activity you do.