



**The Sherwood School
Curriculum Information
Year 4
Autumn Term 2026**

Term Dates: 2nd September – 18th December Trips: New Wimbledon Theatre	Half Term: 26th October – 30th October	Inset Day: Wednesday 2nd September Thursday 3rd September Friday 4th September
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Teaching Staff:

Mr Potter (Maple Class Teacher)
Mrs Janman (Teaching Assistant)

Welcome back to Year 4!

We are pleased to see everyone again after the summer break. We hope the children had a restful Summer and are ready to start their new school year in Year 4. Please ensure children attend school every day, so that they do not miss out on important learning, including preparation for the **Multiplication Tables Check**. The following information provides an overview of our learning in Autumn term as well as information concerning your child's homework routine. Any up-to-date information will be uploaded onto the school website or sent via 'My Child at School' (previously Parent Mail) and posted on Google Classroom. Please contact the office if you need help signing up for 'My Child at School'.

English

Writing - This term the children will be learning to write in a range of genres, such as a newspaper report, diary entry and non-chronological report, letters, newspaper articles and exploring character descriptions (through drama sessions). The literacy lessons will be planned and taught using the central texts 'The heart Scarab' and 'A River'.



The children will follow a spelling scheme through the year and spelling words will be sent home once a week via Google Classroom on a Tuesday to be tested on the following Wednesday. It is imperative that children learn these words in order to achieve age-related expectations within their independent writing.

Children are encouraged to read daily and will take part in daily guided reading sessions. There is a selection of reading books, including 'challenging reads', in each classroom.

Reading – We expect children to read daily at home and at school. In school they will take part in guided reading sessions daily. We will visit the school library weekly and children will have opportunities to take a reading quiz linked to their chosen book.

Maths - The children will be tested on their mental arithmetic and times tables' knowledge every week. This term we will be focussing on: addition and subtraction, place value with numbers up to four digits, rounding to the nearest 10, 100 & 1000, counting in multiples of 25 & 1000, roman numerals and addition and subtraction. Maths homework will be sent home via Google Classroom every Tuesday to be returned to school by the following Tuesday. Please ensure that homework is returned

on time.



Science - This term we will be learning about Sound and States of Matter. There will be indoor and outdoor opportunities to work on investigative, practical science during the term.

Computing - The children will be following the 'Purple Mash' scheme of work and learning about Internet safety. The children will use computing lessons to research other areas of the curriculum too.



Humanities - This term we will be studying the Ancient Egyptians. The children will focus on several aspects of this ancient civilization, including their way of life, beliefs and values, and architecture.

Trips - To end our topic of Ancient Egyptians we will be visiting The Horniman Museum to explore the life of the Ancient Egyptians.



Art & D.T - This will be linked to Humanities. The children will be learning to write in hieroglyphics and designing and creating their own cartouches.

PSHE - We will be using the new scheme – Me, My Future, Our World.

R.E. - Our focus this term is 'Belonging and Identity' where we will discuss the main religions and how people belong to these. We will also be learning about different types of communities and how we belong to these.



PE - Children will need to wear their PE kit to school on the days they have PE. Lessons will take place outside, weather permitting. PE sessions will be taught by PE specialists and class teachers.



Class	PE (Teacher led)	PE (Coach)
4Birch	Monday	Tuesday
4Maple	Monday	Tuesday



French - The children will have French lessons once a week. They will learn basic vocabulary linked to 'number, time and greetings'.

Music – Music lessons are taught by specialist musicians from Merton Music Foundation.



Rights Respecting Schools & Global Goals:

The children will continue to discuss and explore ideas linked to our RRS article of the week. We will also discuss and debate both national and local topical issues



Homework:

Maths & Spellings homework will be sent home via Google Classroom on a **Tuesday** and will need to be completed by the following **Tuesday**. Please ensure that homework is returned on time.

A half termly homework project is set at the start of each theme and should be handed in by the allocated date.

**School Uniform:**

Please ensure that your children wear the appropriate school uniform, including formal school shoes. We would also ask that children with long hair tie it back with a simple hair band (black or brown). Please ensure that hijabs are also plain black or brown. We would respectfully ask that all children have a suitable hair style, which is appropriate for school. Children are permitted to wear stud earrings and a watch to school, however, no jewellery should be worn on PE days.



We thank you for your continued support and co-operation.
Miss Heidar and Mr Lord