



Term 1 Overview 2026 : Year 4

English: This term we will be using our class book, *The Case of the Disappearing Detective*, to develop our own reading and writing skills. During the week, we will regularly practice our spelling, handwriting and grammar. In our Writing sessions we will look at features of the Mystery genre and write our own mystery story with a focus on the Loch Ness Monster! We will also write our own newspaper reports based on a mysterious sighting on the school grounds...

Geography: We will look at one of the world's greatest mysteries, The Loch Ness Monster! We will be studying the environment it inhabits and comparing this to other regions to study their geographical features.

Computing: This term we will be learning to appreciate the internet as a network which needs to be kept secure. We will explore the World Wide Web in order to learn about who owns content. We will evaluate online content to decide how honest, accurate, or reliable it is, and understand the consequences of false information.

RE: We will be looking into Buddhism this term in RE with a key focus on the life of Buddha and how he tried to stay happy.

We will use our understanding of this to ask if it's possible for everybody to be happy?

Maths: We will begin Year 4 by developing our skills and confidence in Number, Place Value and Addition and Subtraction. By developing a firm foundation in these key concepts at the start of the year, we will progress to more complex mathematical ideas confidently as the year goes on. This term, we will also be focusing on our Times Tables to prepare ourselves for the times tables assessment later in the year. It is important we practise our Times Tables as much as possible, both at home and in school!

French:

We will be creating sentences of our own using a range of personal details including name, age, where we live and nationality.

PE: We are very excited to be playing tennis and dancing. On top of this, our indoor PE lessons will focus on gymnastics and using a wide range of skills to produce a sequence of moves to go with our spy inspired music.

Art: This term we will be looking at the mystery of the artist Banksy. We will be looking at some of his work and learning about its significance. We will then be designing and creating our own art pieces inspired by his work.

Science: Our Science topic this term is States of Matter, and we will be using the mystery of the Loch Ness Monster to think about solids, liquids and gases and their role in the water cycle. We will also design and complete our own experiments and write these up as scientific reports.

Music: This term we will be introduced to the wonders of Jazz. Initially, we will focus our learning on The Pink Panther Theme. We will study the instruments carefully and even have a go at composing our own mystery theme tune.

