

## Art & Design



Post Impressionism and Vincent van Gogh.

Year 4 will be reflecting on previous artwork and will continue to improve their mastery. As part of this topic, children will use and experiment with different mediums. There will be a key focus on 'Growth Mindset'.

## P.E



### Athletics

Sprinting,  
Jumping,  
throwing



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*'Roots to grow and wings to fly'*

## Maths

**Number – Decimals** – Year 4 will recap the place value beyond the decimal point then go on to compare, order and subtract decimal.

**Geometry – Properties of shape** – Year 4 will learn about different types of angle characteristics of shape and use them to describe a range of 2D and 3D shapes

## English

### Classic Poetry – "From a Railway Carriage"

Year 4 will be exploring 'Classic poetry', using Robert Louis Stevenson's example poem 'From a Railway Carriage' as a model and stimulus. The children will be imagining their journey home and will create a poem based on this journey, the children will also add sound effects to their poem to enhance performance.

### Explaining how electrical inventions in Wallace and Gromit work

Year 4 will be writing explanation texts that are centred around an invention. The children will enter a competition with 'Aardman Animations' and will explore the stages of creating an invention. The children will be inspired by Wallace and Gromit's inventions and will attempt to create a contraption that will solve or support an everyday routine.

## History

### The Kingdom of Benin

Year will find out all about the West African Benin Empire. Where it was, who ruled there, their art, religion and customs. This will build up to our "Mantle of the Expert" project where the children will be presenting what they have learned within a dramatic context.

### Year 4 – Topic Title Enquiry Question

Should we return the Benin Bronzes?



## Computing Coding

Year 4 will be learning how to create a simple 2 player racing game – establishing starting positions and a winning mechanic. Creating an interactive pet – coding to achieve different effects and ways of interacting with a sprite using a variety of input methods.

## PSHE – 'Aalfred and Aalbert' by Morag Hood

### How will we grow and change?

Year 4 will be exploring how we change and grow, by discussing and observing the physical and emotional changes that happen when approaching and during puberty.

## Science

### Electricity – Which materials are conductors and insulators of electricity?

Year 4 will be exploring and constructing their own simple series circuits. The children will become familiar with the components in a circuit and will be able to identify why a bulb is lit/not lit in a circuit, and also which key materials are conductors and insulators. The children will also carry out research based upon their local area 'Newcastle' and will discuss why Newcastle was a key part of the electric development.

Enrichment, Hooks & Pupil Engagement: English -letter from classical poet and red detective folders. Entering a competition with Aardman animations. Maths – 'Learning by questions' computing experience. Science – creating own invention. PSHE – baby photos and sowing a plant in order to watch it change, grow and develop.

'The Big Picture' Task: Who owns the Elgin Marbles? – Is it right to have cultural heirlooms from another culture

'Stunning Start' & 'Fantastic Finish': Who owns the Elgin Marbles? – Debate in role curators, politicians, general public etc. "Mantle of the Expert" project to finish our topic



Character  
Culture  
Creativity  
Challenge