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Year 4 Topic Letter – Spring Term 2026

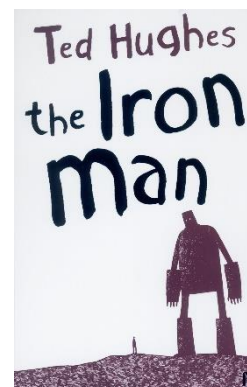
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Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year! I hope you all had a relaxing and enjoyable break.

Our new topic this term is **We Are Heroes**. We will be exploring different aspects of being human, with a particular focus on what it means to be heroic. What qualities make someone a hero? We will investigate this question through learning about real people from history as well as fictional characters.

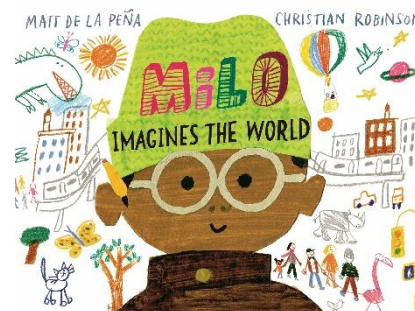
To begin our topic learning, we will focus on some inspirational and amazing humans - the children in Year 4! We will explore ideas of identity, write about our own heroes and create artwork linked to these themes. We will then move on to learning about heroic individuals from the 16th to the 21st century. Please see the topic snapshot for further details.



English

In English, we will begin by writing poetry linked to identity. We will then read *Milo Imagines the World* by Matt de la Peña, which explores themes of identity and stereotypes. The children will write poetry, take part in a debate and write a narrative.

Later in the term, we will read *The Iron Man* by Ted Hughes and produce a newspaper report, poetry and fictional writing. Finally, the children will research a scientist of their choice and write a biography.



Geography

In geography, we will explore different types of settlements by comparing cities, towns and villages in the UK. The children will study maps and use a compass during an orienteering workshop on the Heath. Towards the end of the term, they will complete a local area study using fieldwork skills.

Science

In science, we will be learning about **electricity**. The children will create electrical circuits and carry out experiments to investigate conductors and insulators.

RE

In Religious Education, we will be learning about Hindu places of worship.

Computing

In computing, we will study **systems and networks**, including: how information is shared, what a website is and how to fact check what you read online.

PSHE

In PSHE, we will continue with our **Zone Detective** course.

Art and Design Technology

In art, we will study inspirational artists such as Yayoi Kusama, Zaha Hadid and Emily Kame Kngwarreye.

In Design Technology, the children will design and make model buildings and create wire sculptures of their favourite scientists.

Mathematics

In maths, the children will continue to follow the National Curriculum. The key objectives for this term include:

Multiplication and Division

- Identify factor pairs
- Multiply and divide by 10 and 100
- Multiply 2- and 3-digit numbers by 1-digit numbers (short multiplication)
- Divide 3-digit numbers by 1-digit numbers

Length and Perimeter

- Measure length
- Calculate the perimeter of rectilinear shapes

Fractions

- Compare and order mixed number fractions
- Convert fractions
- Add and subtract fractions

Decimals

- Recognise decimals as fractions

PE and Music

PE lessons will take place on **Mondays and Wednesdays**. Coach Keeley will teach on Mondays, and Arsenal coaches will lead sessions on Wednesdays. Please ensure your child comes to school

wearing trainers and loose-fitting clothing on these days. They may bring a change of clothes if they wish, but this is not compulsory.

The children will continue their trumpet and trombone lessons on **Thursdays**. Please remind them to bring their instrument to school. Practising for around five minutes most days will help them make progress and enjoy their lessons.

Important Dates for Year 4

- **13th January** - Keats Library
- **20th January** - London Zoo
- **27th January** - Open Morning
- **10th February** - Keats Library
- **27th February** - Class Assembly
- **10th March** - Heath Education Centre
- **17th March** - Keats Library
- **October Gallery Trip** - Date TBC

Letters with further details will be sent out closer to each trip. If possible, please ensure your child brings their voluntary contribution of **£2 per trip**.

Home Learning

Home learning will continue as it did last term:

- **Mathletics**: updated weekly on Fridays
- **Optional arithmetic tests** on Google Classroom (answers provided the following week for self-marking)
- **Times Table Rockstars**: 5 minutes of practice, 4 times a week
- **Spellings**
- **Daily reading** (recorded in the reading diary at least three times a week)

Thank you for your continued support with home learning – it really helps your child to make progress.

If you would like to discuss anything, please feel free to email **admin@fleet.camden.sch.uk** or speak to me before or after school.

Best wishes,
Asha Sale

