

Useful Information

School Starts:	At 8:45am the bell will ring in the playground. The children should sensibly make their way to their classes for Study Start. All children should be in class by 9am. Children in Reception & Nursery should make their way to their classroom doors through the playground. Doors open at 8:50am and all children should be in the classroom by 9am.
Child Sick?	If your child is sick, please call school by 9am to notify us in advance.
Late Arrival	Children arriving after 9am are recorded as late by learning mentors. Children who have not arrived by 9:15, without a note or call from home to explain absence, are marked as absent by learning mentors. The learning mentors will call home if such a child has not arrived at school by 9:30am.
School Dinners: Full-time Nursery & Years 3-6	The school lunch is an important part of the school day. We encourage all children to have a school lunch. We cater for all dietary requirements. Please see Lorraine Groom if you have any questions. School dinners are free for Year 2 and below and cost £2.20 each or £11.00 per week for Yr3 – Yr6 . Please use Parent mail to pay for meals in advance.
End of Day	School ends at 3.30pm. A parent or carer should collect all children. Please notify the school should you wish your child to be collected by another adult. If you wish your child to travel home alone, you must contact the school and confirm in writing then the school will confirm this has been agreed. Please notify the school by 3.00pm if you know that you will be late collecting him or her. At 3:40pm children who have not been collected are taken to the office.
After School Clubs	Year 6 children, who have written permission, may leave school alone when clubs finish. All other children must be collected by a parent or carer from the courtyard gate at 4:30pm. Please be prompt when collecting children from after school clubs.
Extended Day	Provision is available Mon – Thurs until 5:45pm & Friday until 5pm. (£8.00 daily) Please be prompt when collecting children.
Assemblies	Assemblies happen daily for both KS1 & KS2 children. Every alternate Friday we have a special <i>Achievers</i> assembly. Children are nominated and will receive a certificate in recognition of their achievements. Parents of the nominated children are invited to attend the assembly by letter and text. Sharing assemblies are held fortnightly and led by the music teacher, Mr Hanratty.

Lauriston School

Parent Guide 2019-20

Term: Spring

Year Group: Year 4

How you can help your child:

- **Read with your child for 15 minutes daily.**
- **Join a library and borrow books or find information about the term's topics.**
- **Practice number bonds and working out simple amounts when shopping.**
- **Help your child to tell the time.**

Termly Topic (Outcome & Focus)	<i>Time Travelers:</i> (History focus) - Ancient Egyptians <i>Design & Technology:</i> Electrical board games	
Literacy	Long Burst: Information texts about Egyptians.(1) Formal and Informal letter writing. (2)	Short Burst: Adverts and Leaflets (2 weeks) Whole School Book Focus (2 weeks)
Mathematics	Reasoning: Statistics Time Geometry – Properties of shapes Number and place value Addition and subtraction Multiplication and Division	Mental Arithmetic: Number Bonds to 10, 20 and 100. Counting on and back in 10s from any number. Counting in 2s, 3s, 5s and 10s. Children will be taught a range of skills that they will use and apply in problem solving tasks and activities.
Science	Electricity States of Matter	
RE	How do the different Christians show their beliefs? Why is the Qur'an special to Muslims?	
History	Who were the Egyptians? Understanding the architecture of ancient Egypt, their beliefs about life and death. In-depth look into mummification and burial.	
Art	Painting Focus: Creating and painting an Egyptian Death Mask	
DT	Design and make a board game with an electrical circuit	
ICT	Use iPad's to research historical events on Ancient Egyptians. Using Purple Mash for typing and formatting skills.	
P.E Times & Days	PE is every Friday – please ensure your child has their Lauriston T-shirt and leggings or tracksuit bottoms and trainers.	
Trips / Workshops	British Museum – Life in Ancient Egypt Science Museum – Circuits and Electricity	

Spelling & Grammar

Spellings will be given out weekly and will be incorporated into the Literacy learning that week. Spellings will include key topic words.
Grammar Focus: Pronouns, including quotations in writing, use and understanding of paragraphs, time and place adverbials, time conjunctions, sentence types.

Resources

<http://www.math-exercises-for-kids.com/math-4.htm>
<https://uk.ixl.com/> - for Maths Practice (the children will have their own log in)
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/education/topics/zg87xnb/resources/1-> learn about the history of the Ancient Egyptians and their artefacts.
<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/english-games/7-11-years/spelling-and-grammar-> helps with their spelling and grammar.

Suggested Activities / Projects

Visit museums to learn about Ancient Egyptians – There is an exhibit on of Tutankhamun at the moment.
Create a 3D replica of a pyramid with a mummy tomb inside, including their treasures.
Have a go at drawing in the style of the Egyptians and using hieroglyphics.
Explore board games with electrical circuits.

Science and Cross Curricular Key Vocabulary:

Electricity, volt, circuit, battery, insulator, conductor, resistance, positive, negative, Condensation, temperature, evaporation, particles, solidifying, solid, liquid, gas, Ancient Egyptians, Egypt, pyramid, pharaoh, mummy, mummification, hieroglyphics, canopic jar, AD, BC, BCE, artefact,

Teacher Challenge Question-

Can you write your full name using hieroglyphics?