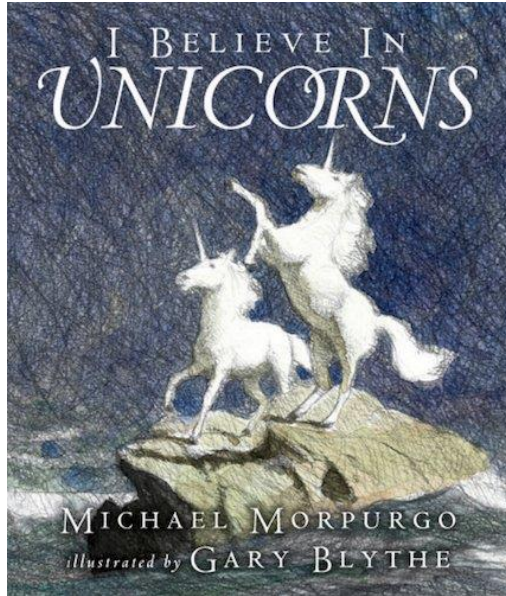


English This half term we will begin by reading I Believe in Unicorns by popular author Michael Morpurgo. The book ties in nicely with our learning about Italy in our Geography lessons. We will create narrative alongside the book including dialogue, relative clauses, repetition and symbolism. The children will learn to make effective vocabulary choices.	Maths We will focus on times tables 2, 4, 5, 8 & 10. We shall begin the year by building on our understanding of Place Value. Year 4 Place value of numbers to 10,000 Addition and subtraction techniques with numbers up to four digits Year 5 This will include Roman Numerals and numbers to 1 million. We will round numbers and partition numbers.	Science Year 4 – States of Matter We will learn about solids, liquids and gases, as well as evaporation, condensation, heating & cooling, and the water cycle. Year 5 - Forces We'll learn about gravity, surface area and friction. We will use investigation to explore these 3 areas.	RE In Religious Education we will learn about ancient stories. This will lead us to learn about Hannukah, Bandi Chhor Divas and Diwali, and how light is used in festivals. We will find out about the importance of the solstices and how light has influenced modern day festivals.
Geography During our Geography lessons we will be learning about Italy. We will begin by using map skills to locate major cities before moving on to researching famous landmarks and learning about physical and human geography. We will make comparisons between northern and southern Italy, as well as making comparisons between Italy and England. We'll learn about the history of Pompeii.	PE Year 4 Swimming at Spenborough Baths will take place every Friday after lunch until the February half term. We will work on basic swimming strokes, distance and water safety. Year 5 Ball skills (working with Year 3)	Computing During our Computing lessons we will be learning to make effective searches whilst using the internet. This will include ranking results from our searches, filtering and considering what we should trust online. We will tie this into our other areas of learning by making searches about Italian Artists, landmarks and recipes.	We are reading  I BELIEVE IN UNICORNS MICHAEL MORPURGO illustrated by GARY BLYTHE
Music This year, Year 4 will be introduced to playing the ukulele. Year 5 will build on the prior learning with the ukulele. The lessons will be taught by peripatetic Music teacher Mrs Bell from Musica.	Art/DT We shall begin our Art lessons by finding out about famous Italian artists Michelangelo and DaVinci. Over the weeks we will create artwork using their style. In DT, we will develop a recipe, again being inspired by our learning about Italy. We shall create Bolognese recipes and our own pizza.	Important notices Every week Tuesdays – Gardening (PE kit) Thursdays – Library books Fridays – Swimming kit (Y4 only) & PE kit Dates Meet the Teacher – 17.9.26 Jeans for Genes Day – 17.9.26 Harvest Festival – 1.10.26 (children only)	I Believe in Unicorns by Michael Morpurgo

