

English

In English, children will be engaged in the 'Talk for Writing' process for the journey tale 'Charlie's Bag'. They will learn the language structure of the story, before creating a new version and finish with writing a journey tale of their own. Along the way pupils will continue with weekly comprehension, handwriting, guided reading, THRASS and activities focussed on developing core grammar skills.

Mathematics

Throughout the term we will continue to develop the children's numeracy skills through regular practise of basic skills and place value activities. The pupils will be engaging in lots of games and challenges that begin to deepen and embed many mathematical methods and skills. Children will have weekly times table tests to help them recall multiplication facts quickly.

Science

Children will study living things and materials this term. Pupils will identify different world habitats and the animals and plants which live there. They will move on to exploring how animals adapt to their environment, before identifying different micro - habitats in the school environment. Children will also construct food chains of their own, naming both the predator and the prey. Pupils will investigate the usage of different materials.

Geography

Children will identify where Egypt is in the world and what continent it belongs to. Pupils will then investigate how important the River Nile was to the Egyptians and then will create an advertising poster for cruises down this famous river.

Class 2 - spring 2017 The Egyptians

MFL

Children will learn new vocabulary for colours, clothes and sizes in preparation for a fashion show presented in Spanish.

History

Children will identify when the ancient Egyptians lived, investigate artefacts of this period and what they were used for, use picture evidence to compare life in ancient Egypt to today, retell the steps in the mummification process and write a diary entry explaining the discovery of Tutankhamun's tomb.

Art and Design

In art, children will make a pyramid, sarcophagus and mummy out of junk modelling materials. They will then move on to reading, understanding and writing hieroglyphs. Pupils will then design an ancient Egyptian death mask and finally, create a cat mask to symbolise the sacred importance of these creatures to the Egyptians.

Physical Education

Children will participate in gymnastics this term, focussing on different movements and balances that can be built into an artistic sequence.

Religious Education

In RE, children will learn about Judaism in terms of its symbols and festivals.

PSHE

In PSHE, children will engage in activities on emotions, feeling safe, creating a network of people who can help them, making New Year resolutions and how we should be respectful of people's differences.

Computing

Pupils will research Egyptian pyramids before creating an information text on their purpose, construction and fascinating facts.

Music

In music, pupils will perform a sand dance and create the musical accompaniment.

How you can help

Practising rapid recall of multiplication tables will support children in their problem solving maths work in school - your child will know which tables he/she is working on.

The children may be asked to complete homework tasks related to our class activities - talking about ideas, facts and information as well as supporting the children in their research at home will be extremely helpful. Regular reading to and with your children will help with their English skills, as well as pupils receiving weekly spelling tests. Many thanks.