

AUTUMN TERM YEAR 4 THE EGYPTIANS

English

In English lessons we will be writing explanation texts about being mummified, the River Nile and building pyramids. We will then go on to writing stories with an Egyptian theme. Later on in the term, we will explore a range of poetry styles. Throughout learning about these text types we will continue to build our grammar and spelling knowledge.

Music

We will carry on learning to play the recorder; we will be using musical vocabulary and practising reading musical notation.

Computing

We will start by learning how to stay safe online, keeping passwords secure, protecting personal information, using websites safely, asking permission before downloading and the effects of posting comments and communicating with others. In the second half of term we will learn how to be computer programmers, planning and inputting instructions to create a sequence.

Maths

This term in maths we will be learning about numbers and calculations including:

- Place value including decimal notation.
- The four operations in mental and written calculations.
- Using and applying our understanding of these concepts to solve problems with measurements including mass, length and capacity.

P.E.

In P.E. we will be learning to play different invasion games. We will have P.E. on a Monday with Mr Horne and on a Friday with Mr Oakes this term. You always need to have your P.E. kit in school. It will be sent home at the end of each half term to be washed.

Topic

Our topic this term is the Ancient Egyptians. We will be discovering how people used to live, what they ate and the tools they used. Time will be spent learning how and why the pyramids were built. We will learn about the gory process of mummification and why pharaohs preferred this. The importance of the River Nile will be researched and we will learn many other Egyptian facts.

Science

We will be learning about states of matter during the first half of term. We will learn about solids, liquids and gases and observe how they change when they are heated or cooled. In the second half we will learn about sound. We will identify how sounds are made and recognise that vibrations travel through a medium to our ear.

R.E. & P.S.H.E.

In PSHE our theme is 'Beginning and Belonging', we will be learning how to adjust to new situations and find our role in helping others to adjust too. In RE, we will explore a Christian's understanding of Creation and then Incarnation as we draw closer to Christmas.

Our school value for the first half term is 'Creativity', and 'Peace' for the second half.