

Year 5 Summer Term 1 2024 Newsletter

Can you walk like an Egyptian?



As SCIENTISTS we will be: exploring life cycles - focusing on human development. We will investigate gestation, foetal development and growth and change from baby to old age.

As WRITERS we will be: writing free verse poetry, stories with historical settings and persuasion texts based on our driver text: **The Scarab's Secret** by Nick Would. We will be continuing to develop our punctuation, grammar and spelling techniques through a range of strategies. Please support your child with this at home.

As READERS we will be: clarifying, making predictions and summarising, using VIPERS questioning. We will be reading ;'Secrets of a Sun King' by Emma Carroll.

We will also look at a range of non-fiction books, linked with our topic: Egyptians.

In COMPUTING we will be: creating vector drawings using different tools to create images, using shapes and lines. We will be learning the appropriate vocabulary for this and learning how to layer and group to create more complex pieces of work. This will be done using a variety of Google apps and you should be able to see your child's progress by logging into Google Classroom. In e-safety we will learn how to use technology safely, respectfully and responsibly; recognise acceptable/unacceptable behaviour; identify a range of ways to report concerns about content and contact.

As MATHEMATICIANS we will be: further developing our development of times tables knowledge focusing 9's and 12s. On a daily basis we will consolidate our understanding of arithmetic consisting of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. Our learning focus will be fractions and we will learn how to multiply proper fractions, improper and mixed numbers by whole numbers. We will be able to compare two fractions and use appropriate language to describe equivalent fractions. We will be able to use this knowledge to problem solve.

As MUSICIANS we will: be listening and appraising a variety of 90s Pop Music focussing on Indie and R n'B styles. We will rehearse, perform and embrace all things Oasis and TLC!

We will learn about instrumentation of the 90's, recording techniques and performance styles.

In P.E., we will be: focusing on athletics, developing our skills in running, jumping and throwing. We will also be working with Mr Holmes to create a dance/drama piece around our topic of 'Egyptians'. Our P.E days for the Summer term will be Wednesday and Friday .

In R.E. we will be: learning about pilgrimages. We will consider our own special journeys/ favourite places and why we visit them. We will be able to compare a range of pilgrimages through different religions and design our own significant journey.

In ART we will be: sculptors! We will research the significance of Ancient Egyptian Death Masks and the materials in which they were made. We will use key colours to create our own masks and evaluate our final product.

As HISTORIANS we will be: we will be learning about **culture and society** and the **beliefs** of the Egyptians. **They will link back with previous learning** about beliefs in the Roman era. We will learn about how **culture and society** was different to that in Britain and compare and contrast reasons for this and investigate the impact the Egyptian culture and society had on individual lives and later historical events. We will continue to work on their **chronological** awareness and know where the Egyptian era of the pharaohs is on the timeline of history and we will discover how we know so much about Ancient Egypt and some of the key artefacts and **sources** we use to learn about the past.

In PSHE/ Jigsaw we will: focus on relationships. We will learn how to build self-esteem, learn about online safety and safe communities, screen time and communicating with friends online.

Year 5 P.E days will be on **Wednesday** and **Friday** during **Summer 1.**
Please send your child to school in P.E kit on these days. See below for appropriate school P.E kit.

- Plain white t-shirt and navy blue shorts,
- Trainers
- Tracksuit/Jogging bottoms (Blue or Black) for colder weather.



Uniforms can be purchased on the school website.
Alternatively, parents can buy from local shops but please purchase clothing in the school colours.

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