

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. Throughout learning about these text types we will continue to build our grammar and spelling knowledge.

Maths

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

- Place value
- Identifying, representing and estimating numbers using different representations
- Solving number and practical problems with increasing large positive numbers
- 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.

Music

We will be using recorders to build on our skills.

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.

P.E.

In P.E. we will be learning football and going swimming. We will have swimming on a Monday and P.E on a Tuesday this term. We will also keep our fitness levels up with the daily mile. You need to come to school in your P.E. kit on Tuesdays.

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 particle arrangements of solids, liquids and gases and observe how they change when they are heated or cooled.

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

In PSHE our theme is 'My Emotions', and we will explore how these change over time. We will also be looking at 'Anti-bullying'.

In RE, we will explore a Christian's understanding of Creation and then Incarnation as we draw closer to Christmas. Our value this half term is 'Thankfulness, and 'Compassion' for the second half.