

Year 3/4 Curriculum- Autumn 2

HISTORY

This term in History we will be looking at royalty and power in Ancient Egypt and finding out about the Pharaohs and nobles that ruled during these times. We will also explore the incredible Pyramids of Giza and delve into these ancient burial chambers to discover the hidden treasures and mysterious hieroglyphics written on the chamber walls. The children will decipher hieroglyphs to find secret messages and write their own messages in this ancient form of writing.

ART

In Art the children will be making Egyptian masks. They will be using a range of painting techniques, mixing colours to create different shades and using textured paints for effect. We will be exploring different brush strokes, stippling effects as well as adding finishing touches and embellishments to create a beautiful mask bringing the Gods and Pharaohs to life!

ENGLISH

We are continuing our journey through Ancient Egypt this term, looking at the discovery of The Valley of the Kings, by Howard Carter. We will travel back in time to 1922, to imagine that we were present at the discovery. Our focus will be on reports and diaries, to detail events of the event. Linking to Gods, we will also be exploring the features of explanation writing. This will also be linked to rivers and water cycles, for Geography.

MATHS

Times tables - Rockstars
Addition of 3 and 4 digit numbers
Subtraction of 3 and 4 different numbers
Estimation and inverse

GEOGRAPHY

In Geography this term we will be investigating the physical features of Egypt including rivers, settlements and landmarks. We will ask why the Egyptian chose to build their cities, pyramids and temples near to the River Nile and discover how to use mapping skills to find continents, countries, towns, cities, rivers and seas.

COMPUTING

Creating power point presentations on the Water Cycle will be the focus for this term's work. Learning the skills to create and develop a presentation will be built on each week, with a final 'Show piece' to be presented to the class at the end of term.

NAME OF TOPIC The Mysteries of the Nile

CHARACTER EDUCATION

'Kindness' and 'Learning from our mistakes' will be the focus for this term. Focussing on acts of kindness to others and looking at how our actions affect things around us, will be explored.

Music

Tempo, dynamics and composition will be explored through our units 'Time' & 'Environment'.

P.E.

In PE we will be covering Fitness and Football

SCIENCE

This term in Science we'll be finding out about sound; how it is made, how our ears hear, looking closely at the structure of the human ear. We shall explore vibration, and set up an experiment to show how objects respond to a vibration using the musical instruments. We will find out about the pitch of sound, volume, sound patterns and how sounds change when you are nearer or more distant from a sound source. We will also be making our own musical instruments to show how vibrations change and vary sound.

RE

We will be thinking about the Islamic faith in RE this term, focussing on Muslims beliefs about the oneness of God and how this connects with harmony within the world. We will also look at the importance of the Quran to Muslims and different areas of faith and practise, such as Sawm and Ramadan. Our collective Worships will be focussed on 'Trust', thinking how Christians put their trust in Jesus.

DESIGN TECHNOLOGY

Designing, making and evaluating canopic jars will be the focus for our Design Technology this term. We will be looking at the figures and characters that were used to decorate these mummification jars.

FRENCH

L'argent de poche - pocket money, will be the focus for French this term.