



Dear Parents/Caregivers

Below is an overview of what will be covered in terms 5 and 6 in year 4. We hope you find it helpful.

Language, Oracy & Literacy

To begin with, children will write an informative and persuasive text in the form of a holiday brochure to entice holiday makers to visit Egypt. They will practise and refine their skills of organising research information; drafting and editing writing related to Arts and Culture week. They will read and interpret a range of non-fiction texts whilst continuing to develop comprehension skills. The children will also write a recount for sports week and continue their language and cultural studies of China.

Mathematics

Children will continue to learn how to count using Roman Numerals and understand their relevance in history and the present day.

Counting in fractions, initially using improper fractions and then using mixed numbers and equivalent fractions. The children will consolidate their understanding of the relationship between fractions, decimals and percentages Children will be taught to recognise and interpret the vocabulary of ratio and proportion, using diagrams or objects to help them. We will be working on division by 10 and 100 and solving word problems involving all 4 operations. The children will read, write and convert time between analogue and digital 12hr and 24hr clocks

We will practically apply our knowledge of area and perimeter to everyday situations.

Science & Technology

The digestive system and teeth: The children will begin the topic by discussing how children obtain energy. We shall be accurately studying the journey food takes from being consumed to getting rid of waste. The children will be finding out how different organs work within this process, paying particular attention at looking at new terminology such as enzymes. The importance of a food's journey will also be followed.

During term 6, the children will study growth and nutrition with particular emphasis on sport. How elite athletes reach and maintain peak performance and how this can relate to us in our everyday lives.

Time & Place

The children will continue their study of Egypt linked to our Arts and Culture week. They will study the culture and social structure of the ancient Egyptians. The importance of The Nile, Hieroglyphics, The Pyramids of Giza and the great Pharaohs of the era.

Citizenship & Ethics

The children will be learning about Democracy-The history of the vote, elections and the UK's political systems and 'Fair trade' in term 6.

Physical & Emotional Health (PE & Games)

Dance – The children will learn a dance inspired by the ancient Egyptians. Children should ensure they always have a black T-shirt and black shorts for class and performances.

Children will be taking in part in tennis training with an outside provider. Outdoor PE kits should be brought into school on a Monday morning and taken home on a Friday afternoon.

The children will also continue to benefit from the Philosophy for Children programme.

Arts & Creativity

Art – The children will be studying Hieroglyphics. They will also be exploring the use of shading through different media.

Music – The children will learn a song for Arts and Creativity week. They will also begin to compose their own music.

Faith & Belief

Our topic this term will be Judaism and in term 6 we will be comparing and contrasting the religions taught over the course of the year.

Homework

Literacy and mathematics homework will both be handed out every Thursday and Friday and your child should spend a minimum of 20 minutes on each piece. Your child will also continue to receive spellings to learn on a Thursday and these will be tested the following week. Spelling Stars, reading and times tables should continue to be learnt on a daily basis. Please ensure that you sign and date your child's Reading Record as well as asking them questions about the text they are reading.

Yours faithfully

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