

Year 3 Newsletter



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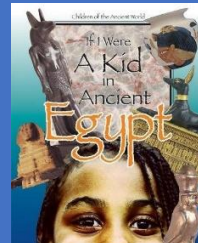
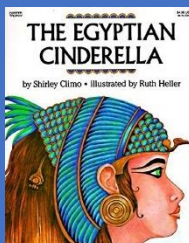
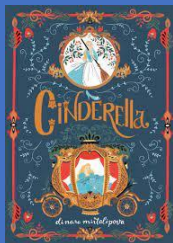
Spring Term 2

Monday 24th February -
Friday 4th April

Our topic theme for this half term is called 'Mummy, Mummy, Mummy'.



What will we read this half term?



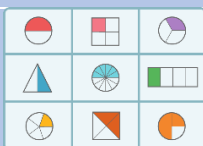
What will we learn this half term?

English

We will start by reading the traditional Cinderella story, looking at the key characters and settings. We will then move on to reading The Egyptian Cinderella, and then compare the two stories, looking at similarities and differences between the two texts.

We will write our own introduction as an alternative to The Egyptian Cinderella.

We will look at a variety of non-fiction texts about life in ancient Egypt, which will complement our work in History. We will then write a report about what life was like in Ancient Egypt, as well as instructions for how to make a Mummy!



Maths

In maths, over the next few weeks, we will learn:

Fractions:

-Compare and order non unit fractions

- Place and count fractions on a number line
- Look at equivalent fractions on a number line.
- Look at fractions as bar models.

Mass and capacity:

- Using scales
- Measuring mass in grams and kilograms
- comparing equivalent masses
- Comparing mass
- adding and subtracting mass
- measure capacity and volume in millimetres and litres
- finding and comparing equivalent capacities and volumes



Science – Animals including humans – Skeletons and Muscles

We will be taking a look at the human skeleton and learning the names and functions of some of the bones.

We will be thinking about the role that our muscles play within the human body.



History – Ancient Egypt

The children will journey back to in time, along the River Nile, taking in the sights and sounds of Ancient Egypt. They will learn about what it was like to live in Ancient Egypt, in terms of transport, jobs, clothes and leisure activities.

They will of course be looking at how the Egyptians used to prepare and bury the dead using mummification, sarcophagos’ and burial chambers beneath the pyramids. They will find out about the different Gods, including Anubus, the god of mummification.

Design and Technology – Textiles – cross stitch and applique

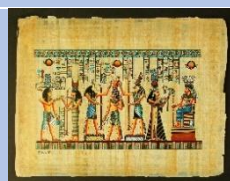


We will be designing and making our own Egyptian collars using two different techniques – cross stitch and applique. The children will be using felt and sewing on different coloured shapes to make a colourful and patterned Collar.



PSHE – Healthy Me

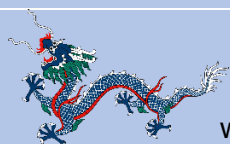
The children will be able to explore keeping themselves fit and healthy, through exercise and healthy eating. They will be able to think about making good choices. We will be looking at what makes a good friendship and how we can keep safe and calm in different situations.



Art – Ancient Egyptian Scrolls

The children will be exploring the main elements of Egyptian art, and how the ancient Egyptians represented images and letters.

They will then be making their own paper on which to draw and decorate their own scroll.



Music - The Dragon Song

In this unit of work, we will be listening to and appraising ‘The Dragon Song.’

The children will be adding instrumental sounds to the chorus, and then as a class, we will be creating our own performance of the song.



P.E. – Dance – Wild Animal

P.E. this half term will be on Tuesdays. Please have your kit in school every week.

The children will be listening to a variety of music to generate ideas for movements and emotions which represent wild animals. They will practice their movements and put them in a sequence ready to perform their dance at the end of the unit of work.



French – Je Peux

This half term we will be speaking about things we can do – Je peux.....
We will be using the negative form to also say things we can't do – je ne peux
pas.....

Homework

As usual, a piece of English and Maths homework will be sent home in a folder every Friday and should be returned by the following Wednesday.

Spellings and timetables will be given every Friday, and tested the following Friday.

Please continue to read with your child as often as possible. This may be their school reading book, or a shared book at home.

Thank you

We have some very interesting topics for the half term ahead, which we are sure our children will enjoy and share with you at home.

As always, please chat to us at the door if you have any worries or concerns, or make an appointment for later in the week.

Kind regards,

Mrs Oakes and Miss Fell