



Year 3/4
Autumn 2

Topic: Ancient Egypt

Welcome back to school everyone. I hope you all had a very restful break and are looking forward to another half-term of exciting activities.

I am very excited to inform you that this half-term our topic will be "Ancient Egypt". As a great interest of my own, I am looking forward to travelling back in time with you all to learn about what life was like for the Ancient Egyptians and looking at their construction of tombs. Alongside this, I am hoping that we will be able to undertake our school trip to the Hands of History museum to further enrich our topic and learn more about this fascinating part of history. As well as our history topic, we will be constructing with modroc in Art linked to Ancient Egypt, whilst we continue to look at relationships and keeping ourselves safe on and offline in PSHE and ICT. In RE, we will be building on our prior learning of incarnation and looking at the importance of the birth of Jesus in the bible. In Science, we will be looking at forces and magnets and how friction impacts the movement of objects.

In Maths, we will be consolidating our knowledge of multiplication and division to further support our learning of written mathematics and aid in our development of the times tables. We will also continue our focus on times-tables and learning new facts of 4x and 8x. It would massively benefit your progress if this could also be a focus at home, as well as using TTRockstars as often as possible. In English, we will continue embedding grammar and spelling rules, building on our correct letter formation and handwriting style, as well as focussing on text types, such as diary entries and writing non-chronological reports based on our Ancient Egypt topic.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.
Mr Snuggs



Uniform reminder:

Please be reminded of the school uniform policy:
Grey/black shorts or trousers and white shirt.
Red and white gingham dress or playsuits.
Grey knee-length skirt or pinafore.
White blouse or shirt.
Red cardigan or sweatshirt.
Plain black, grey or red tights or socks.
Plain black shoes or trainers.
No make-up including nail varnish.
No jewellery, except a watch and one pair of studs.
Long hair tied up for safety reasons.

Reading and Spellings

This year, spellings will be sent out on a **Friday**, to be tested in school the following **Friday**. Children will be able to access their spellings on the online platform 'Spelling Shed'. If you require any support with Spelling Shed, or your child's logins, please let me know.

Reading books will be sent home weekly and we encourage your child to try and return this weekly, with their reading record to be checked, to encourage a broader range of reading material. We would like to encourage all children to share their reading experience with a member of their family at home. Children can also access Lexia using the link on Google Classroom to support reading practice.



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Autumn 2 Class Texts

We will be exploring the following texts this half term:

- * Cinderella of the Nile - Beverley Naidoo
- * The Story of Tutankhamun - Patricia Cleveland-Peck & Isabel Greenberg
- * Ancient Egypt: Tales of Gods and Pharaohs - Marcia Williams
- * Marcy and the Riddle of the Sphinx - Joe Todd Stanton



PE Kits and Forest Schools

Please ensure your child comes dressed for PE every Friday!

Our PE sessions will take place every **Friday**. As we head further into the winter season, please ensure your child comes to school in appropriate clothing of black joggers, a white top, black trainers and a black hoodie.

We are delighted to begin our first Forest Schools sessions this half-term. Please can children make sure to bring **appropriate clothing for each session**. Forest Schools uniform consists of: *A long-sleeved top and hoodie, jogging bottoms, waterproof coat and waterproof trousers, a pair of wellies. Please make sure to bring additional clothing if the weather is colder.*