

Year 3/4 Newsletter

SPRING 1

The Year 3/4 Teaching Team

Class 5



Mr Gamble
(Phase Leader)



Miss Evans



Miss Smith



Miss Bennett



Mr Jennings



Miss Boyd



Mrs Horsley

Class 6

Class 7



English

In Spring 1, we'll be using a non fiction text written by DK titled "Ancient Egypt," it's an information text all about the Ancient Egyptian civilisation. The information should give us a fantastic opportunity to really sharpen up our retrieval skills and the skimming and scanning skills we have been practicing. Once we have read the book, children will create their own non fiction information texts all about the Ancient Egyptians, showing off everything that they have learned.

Maths

Over the coming weeks Year 3/4 will be learning all about multiplication and division as well as fractions and decimals. The children will learn how to multiply 2 and 3 digit numbers by 1 digit numbers using their knowledge of times tables and then learn a method for solving division problems. We will then move on to exploring how to recognise unit fractions of shapes, groups and numbers, and will be increasing our understanding of adding and subtracting fractions and how to find equivalent fractions.

Reading

Please encourage your child to read their school reading book out loud to an adult at least three times a week at home, for at least 15 minutes each time.

Please support your child's understanding of the text by asking questions about what they've read.



Topic - Ancient Egypt

We'll be discovering all about the Ancient Egyptian way of life. We are going to be learning about their achievements and famous individuals as well as how they created such a thriving civilisation in a hostile desert. As part of this, we will look at the importance of the River Nile, farming techniques and how the pyramids were built without the use of modern machinery.

Science

We'll be learning all about light in science, recognising that we need light to see things in the dark and investigating how light travels outwards from a light source. We will also design and carry out our own investigations into how light is reflected from different surfaces, learn that light from the sun can be dangerous and how to keep our eyes safe from direct sunlight. We will discover how shadows are formed and investigate shadow shape and length by creating pyramids and altering the position of the light source.

Computing / Art / Forest School

Art: Egyptian Art – Painting and patterns. Pupils will be learning about decorative painting by exploring the motifs and designs of Ancient Egyptian art and will study Gustav Klimt's use of colour to help them when they create a painting inspired by Egyptian art.

Computing: Children will design, write and debug algorithms and programs that accomplish specific goals using beebots.

Forest School: Pupils will recreate Egyptian structures, such as pyramids and shadufs, using natural resources and have a go at cooking their own Ancient Egyptian food on the fire pit.

MFL - French



Pupils will be learning how to pronounce colours and days of the week. They will show their understanding by using the words in oral sentences and simple writing.

PSHE

Y3: Relationships - family life, relationships and caring for one another.

Y4: Feelings and emotions, expression of feelings and behavior.

PE

Year 3 and 4 will be doing gymnastics and dance in PE this half-term. Pupils can wear PE kit to school on the day they have PE lessons. Swimming will be on a Wednesday for Year 4 and will start on Wednesday 12th January.

Important Dates...

- 17.1.22 - Final Robinwood payments due for Year 4.
- 1.2.22 - Class 5 trip to Leeds Museum for Ancient Egyptian workshop.
- 3.2.22 - Class 6 trip to Leeds Museum for Ancient Egyptian workshop.
- 4.2.22 - Class 7 trip to Leeds Museum for Ancient Egyptian workshop.



Attendance



Thank you for sending your children to school every day on time so that we are all ready to begin the days learning. As you know, 'Every Day Counts'

To avoid lost uniform, PE kit, water bottles and packed lunch boxes, please ensure all items are clearly labelled with your child's name.

Name Labels