



Our learning this term is 'Walk Like an Egyptian'

English: This half term, we will use our learning in history to write an explanation text about the process of mummification and focusing on an aspect of life in Ancient Egypt.

Maths: Children will continue to develop their understanding of fractions by continuing to multiply unit and non-unit fractions and to calculate fractions of an amount. Children will also be learning about decimal place value up to two decimal places, including rounding and comparing and ordering decimals. Children will also be introduced to the concept of percentages, and their equivalence to fractions and decimals.

Science: The children will be studying living things, showing an understanding of what processes animals and plants need to live and survive. They will then explore life cycles of different plants and animals, before learning about different materials and their properties. Children will be comparing the properties of different materials as well as discussing and investigating their effectiveness for different purposes.

History: We will continue to learn about Ancient Egypt and Howard Carter, including the discovery of Tutankhamun's tomb. We will focus on the process of mummification.

USEFUL INFORMATION

PE: PE now takes place on a Monday and a Friday for both classes.

On a Monday, the children need to come to school dressed in their PE kit with their school uniform in their bags.

On a Friday, the children can come to school as usual in their school uniform and we will change for PE later in the day.

Library Day: All children in Year 5 will visit the library every week. Mrs. Humphries' class on a Friday and Miss. MacKenzie's class on a Tuesday.

Please ensure library books are in school on this day to change.

SeeSaw: please ensure that you have connected to Class SeeSaw to receive messages and see pictures of your child's learning. Please see your child's teacher if you haven't connected.

Home learning

Reading

Reading regularly at home is crucial to ensuring children's progress as readers. Our expectation of reading in Year 5 is that the children read at least three times a week at home, for a minimum of one hour in total. Once they finish a book, they should then do a quiz on Accelerated Reader. All children have logins for this and it will be monitored by the class teacher. It is important that your child's reading book and reading reflection come into school **every day**. The children need to use their reading reflection to keep a record of their reading. In this section, the children can comment on aspects of the book such as character, setting and plot and things they are particularly enjoying. Reading diaries will be monitored weekly.

Spelling: A spelling log will come home each night with your child. with their personalised spellings in it. The children will need to practise these spellings and the 'tricky' words in the back of the book. They will be regularly tested on them and we will be looking for them using the correct spelling in their written work. We will be focusing on both particular spelling patterns and also the statutory Y5/6 words from the National Curriculum. The children also now have logins for Bug Club (an online spelling resource) where they can play games to practise the spelling rules.

Additional information

Please ensure everything that comes into school has been named. Please continue to apply sun cream and mosquito repellent to your child each day before they come to school. We have a "**no hat no play**" policy now that we are in the summer months. Please send in a named hat every day. It is also essential that your child brings in a water bottle.