

Learning Forecast

Spring Term 1 - Ancient Egyptians

Baybridge Class



English

This term's English focus is linked to our topic on Ancient Egyptians. We will be reading an information book about life in Egyptian times and enjoying two gripping stories—'Marcy and the Riddle of the Sphinx' and 'Time Slip Scarab'. The children will be writing their own version of these stories and a diary entry as if they were in Egyptian times. They will explore the language needed in non-fiction texts and the layout needed for a non-chronological report. Some children will be working towards their pen license and establishing a consistent handwriting style.

Science

This term we will be continuing to learn about 'Living Things & Their Habitats' in Science.

We will explore a range of living things and learn about what they need to survive.

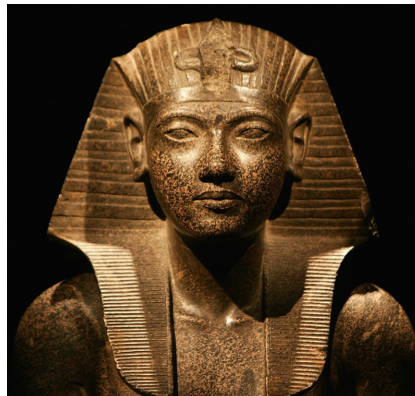
History

Our overall topic this half term is 'Ancient Egyptians'. Starting with an exciting hook day, the children will be learning about the history of Ancient Egypt and understand where and when this era took place on a historical timeline. They will learn about Egyptian features such as the River Nile, the Pyramids, pharaohs, mummification, tombs and the after life. An exciting topic!

Maths

For maths, we will continue to work on Multiplication and Division as well as looking at Shape, Length and Fractions. We will work on their fluency and understanding of these areas, their mental maths skills as well as their ability to reason and explain their thinking mathematically and use formal methods.

Throughout the term will also focus on our times tables. Y4s will be assessed on these towards the end of the year. You can help at home by accessing Times Table Rockstars, even if it is just for just 5 minutes each day.



Reminders

Book bags and water bottles must be in school **daily** and emptied each night.

They can bring **ONE healthy** fruit snack in their book bag.

All children in Year 3/4 come dressed in PE uniform on Monday and Wednesday. Y4 will also be swimming on Mondays this half term.

Children should be **reading** as many times per week as they can. Reading books and records must be in school every day.

Please ensure all uniform and PE kit is named.

Reading

We will mainly be focusing our reading and comprehension skills around 'Flat Stanley & The Great Egyptian Grave Robbery'. The children will work on their inference skills, making predictions and familiarisations with characters from the story.

PE

We will have PE on a Monday and a Wednesday. The children will be focusing on hockey and gymnastics this half term. The Y4s will also be swimming this half term as part of the PE curriculum.

PSHE

In PSHE we will focus on a topic based around 'Being My Best'.

We will continue to develop our values of collaboration, resilience and respect through listening and discussion.

Music

The children will continue to be taught by teachers from Hampshire Music Service, partaking in a new scheme called 'Beyond the Beat'. They will learn how to play a woodwind instrument and will be working towards another performance at the end of term.

RE

In RE, children will be looking at the concept of 'Good & Evil', looking at Hindu beliefs. And celebration of 'Holi'.