

Mathematics

This term we will begin by learning about shape and space. We will look at different types of angles and their names. We will also look at different types of triangles.

Later in the term we will look at position on a grid and use coordinates. We might even make some treasure maps!

As usual we will be practising arithmetic skills and the children will be using rapid recall boards to practise the skills expected from them in Year 3 or 4.

Please continue to practise times tables as this has such a positive impact on learning in maths.

Homework will be given weekly and is due in on Mondays.

Science

In the first half of the term we will be studying sound. We will look at how sound is made, how it travels, how we can change the pitch and volume. The second half of the term will involve looking at animals including humans. We will look at the digestive system, including the jobs of different teeth. We will also look at food chains.

Topic

In the first half of the Spring term we are learning about the ancient Egyptians. Their beliefs and how they lived. We will also be learning about how the pyramids were built (and why!) We will learn about mummification—gruesome!! After half term we are looking at and learning how to use different maps. We will also use computing to use google maps and use compass points to give directions.

English

We are starting this year reading *The Egyptian Cinderella*. We will be writing our own version. We will also be writing instructions on how to mummify a body—yuk!!

We will be doing a week of writing which will include some description about goblins.

Please make sure your child is reading regularly at home and recording it in their Diary (which will be checked on a Monday)

THE EGYPTIAN CINDERELLA
by Shirley Climo • illustrated by Ruth Heller



Year 3/4
Spring 1—Ancient Egypt
Spring 2— Where in the World?



PE

This term, we will be looking at dance and gymnastics. We will develop our technique and follow a simple routine. We will also develop our own routines using the skills we learn. Later in the term we will also be developing our net and ball skills including accuracy, speed, control and working in a team.

Art and DT

This term in art we will be exploring the ancient Egyptians and making a sarcophagus! We will also be doing some hieroglyphics. After half term we will be looking at significant architects and architecture around the world

Music

During music lessons we will be looking a great deal at rhythm. We will look at notation and will learn to follow and create our own sequences. We will also be looking at the songs 'Stop!' and 'Lean on me'

Computing

During this term, we will again look at coding. We will be using 'if' and 'else' statements. We will be learning about how to use repetition to make a code more effective.

We will also use the internet for research to support other subjects. Please remember to make use of Mathletics and Reading Plus at home

RE

This term in RE we will be looking at Hinduism. Its origins, festivals and celebrations. We will also compare the religions we have learnt about so far in Year 3/4.

