

Walk like an Egyptian

Year group: Year 4

Spring Term 2022

Rationale for Learning

Our topic this term has a history focus, where the children will be using our work on the Egyptians as the stimulus for their learning. As part of the topic children will become detectives, learning how they can find and use evidence to ask questions and find answers about the past. We will use quality texts within English to allow the children to write a range of genres for a variety of purposes. Within science the children will learn about life processes in living things, and will learn how to classify organisms in accordance with their similarities and differences.

Suggested activities for families to help support learning

Practise times tables up to 12 x 12 by using the 'Times Tables Rockstars' app.

Read on a regular basis, encouraging children to record their reading in their journal. Children will be encouraged to complete Accelerated Reader quizzes when ready.

Research linked to current topic work.

Key Vocabulary: Egyptians, Egypt, hieroglyphics, Pharaoh, Nile, mummification, tomb, pyramid, cartouche.

Movement, respiration, sensitivity, growth, reproduction, excretion, nutrition.

Reminders

PE days: Tuesday and Thursday for both classes. It is advisable to have P.E. kit in all week as the days of our sessions can change due to weather. During cold weather, children should have tracksuit bottoms and a jumper for outdoor sessions.

Homework will continue to be set on a Tuesday, to be handed in by the following Monday.

Staff will have PPA on a Tuesday afternoon.

Dates (specific to Year 4)

Date to be confirmed – Egyptology day with visiting experts from 'Hands on History'.



Walk Like an Egyptian Study Unit Overview

Mathematics

- Fractions
- Addition and subtraction
- Shape
- Times tables
- Multiplication and division

Art

- Design and make a Canopic jar
- Hieroglyphics
- Cartouches
- Egyptian costumes

Computing

Creating programs for computers

TTRS

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- Christianity
- Traditions and beliefs
- The Bible

English

 'Secrets of a Sun King' by Emma Carroll – being a writing detective, creating poems, character descriptions, descriptive writing, persuasive writing, letter writing, newspaper writing and story writing.

<u>PE</u>

- Gymnastics different types of jumps and sequences.
- Net Skills team games and team work skills.

Science

- Life processes and living things.
- Animals including humans.
- Working scientifically.

History and Geography

- Using an Atlas to locate Egypt.
- Looking at the Nile and its course
- Finding out who the Egyptians were, when they lived, their culture and beliefs.
- Learning different methods of research and comparing sources.

Music

 Composition using a range of instruments.

PSHCE

 Sex and relationships education, growing and changing.

French

- Greetings
- Colours
- Numbers
- Animals