

Maths:

This half term we will be concentrating on multiplication and division skills, times tables recall and finding the area of shapes.

- Recall and use multiplication and division facts for multiplication tables up to 12×12 .
- Count in multiples of 6, 7, 9, 25 and 1000
- Use place value, known and derived facts to multiply and divide mentally, including: multiplying by 0 and 1; dividing by 1; multiplying together three numbers.
- Solve problems involving multiplying and adding, including using the distributive law to multiply two digit numbers by one digit, integer scaling problems and harder correspondence problems such as n objects are connected to m objects.
- Find and measure perimeter in rectilinear shapes (including squares)
- Find and calculate area of shapes by counting squares.

Topic:

Our topic for this half term will be Ancient Egypt. We will understand what was important to people during ancient Egyptian times, compare the powers of different Egyptian gods, find Egypt on a map, raise questions when confronted with an artefact in order to understand more about this ancient civilisation and select information that is useful in understanding the use of hieroglyphs as a form of communication and recording.

PE:

Our PE lessons this year will take place on a Tuesday and Thursday. On Tuesday, Elite Rugby will be teaching the children and on Thursday the children will be taking part in Forest School again. Please ensure that your child has the appropriate PE kit for these lessons. Just a reminder that hair should be tied back and earrings should be removed for safety.

Literacy:

This half term, we will be reading *The Egyptian Cinderella* by Shirley Climo and *There's a Pharaoh in our Bathtub* by Jeremy Strong.

Inspired by *The Egyptian Cinderella*, we will rewrite traditional stories in new locations and think about how this relocation would affect the plot, characters and vocabulary that we use. We will practise instructional writing and write our own instructions on how to mummify. We will also create our own shape poems influenced by our Ancient Egypt topic. Spelling and grammar rules will be taught each week that will link to the children's spelling homework. This will be given weekly on a Thursday, ready for spelling tests on a Tuesday.

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Miss Major

What was life like in Ancient Egypt?

RE:

In RE this half term, we will be asking 'What does it mean to be a Sikh in Britain today?' We will identify the core beliefs of Sikhism, make links between the Gurus and some actions that Sikhs take today, give examples that demonstrate that remembering God, working hard and serving others are important to Sikhs today and we will raise questions about what matters to Sikhs, and which Sikh values would make the most difference in the world today.

Music:

Wakefield Music Service will provide music lessons on Thursday mornings.

Spanish:

We will be following the Wakefield Scheme for our Spanish lessons.

We will be focusing on improving our vocabulary knowledge and we will recap on families and body parts.

We will learn adjectives to describe these in Spanish. We will read traditional stories in Spanish and note the differences and similarities to the English version.

Science:

Our science topic will be States of Matter. We will learn about the differences between solids, liquids and gases, classifying objects and identifying their properties. They will explore in-depth how water changes state, exploring melting, freezing, condensing as well as a particular focus on evaporation. We will also learn about the water cycle.

Homework:

Homework will be given out at the start of the half term as a menu. Children should select one item each week to complete and hand this in on Tuesday. Spellings will be given on Thursday afternoon ready for a spelling test on Tuesday.