

What's happened in Year 3 & 4?

The Egyptians

RE

In RE, Year 4 will be studying the People of God. We will be focussing on Covenants and how they can apply to ceremonies that happen within our everyday life. This will come through an in depth look and study of Noah's Ark.

In Year 3, we are looking at 'What kind of world Jesus would want' and focusing on why people followed Jesus, what acts of kindness Jesus carried out, what acts of kindness Jesus would like us to carry out and how we can make this a world Jesus would want.

PE

For the first half of this term we will focus on football skills. These skills will include passing and receiving the ball correctly, develop flexibility, strength, technique, control and balance.

For the second half of this term we will focus on tag rugby skills. These skills will include passing and receiving the ball correctly, understanding the scoring system and learning that people within their team will have different strengths.

Geography

We will be using maps, atlases and globes to help our understanding of the world. We will learn about compasses and grid references to track the movements of Howard Carter as he searched for the tomb of Tutankhamun.

Music

In music, we are going to be focussing on making music and sounds to represent things from the Egyptian era. We will also be learning how to compose our own music using self-made symbols to represent a beat.

Forest Classroom

This term we are excited to use the Forest classroom to support our learning.

Mrs Jemmeson - Monday

Miss Temple - Monday

Mr Attewill - Tuesday

Miss Shannon - Wednesday

Writing

In year 3, we are linking all of our writing to the Ancient Egyptian theme which we are focussing on in our school. We are practicing our handwriting and making sure that we follow our school's non-negotiables. We will also be learning about new punctuation rules such as apostrophe for possession, the present perfect tense and speech marks in direct speech.

Our writing genres will include a mixture of fiction and non-fiction, such as: diary entries, non-chronological reports and playscripts.

In year 4, we will also link our writing to the Ancient Egyptians. We will be writing setting descriptions, non-chronological reports, instructions and much more! We will be practicing our handwriting, learning new spelling rules and always aiming to reach the Year 4 standard and non-negotiables.



Reading

In Reading we will be ensuring a text makes sense to the children and working out the meaning of unknown words using the context of the book. These are the books we will be reading together:

Mrs Jemmeson - Demon Dentist

Miss Temple - Stig of the Dump

Mr Attewill - You're a bad man, Mr Gum

Miss Shannon - My hamster's a spy

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We learning about ancient civilisations; their culture, the weapons they used the process of mummification, and lots more. We shall be looking at Tutankhamun in particular following his life and his journey.

Art

We will be making canopic jars out of clay when we learn about mummification. Sculpting and moulding to suit a purpose. We will also be thinking about what it would have been like to paint on the walls of a tomb.

DT

We will be making a pyramid out of LEGO and paper mâché; thinking about the mechanics needed to create such an amazing structure.

Computing

Computers will be used to research the Egyptians safely and consider how we should act online which will be reinforced during PSHE. We will also be using Scratch to program a simple program of a man entering a pyramid.

Science

Our Science this term is light. We will learn how shadows are made, about light reflecting off surfaces, about how to keep ourselves protected from the sun and find patterns in the way that shadows change. We will work scientifically by making careful observations, measuring accurately using standard units, recording findings using simple scientific language, reporting findings and making conclusions.

PSHE

The children in LSK2 build on the skills they have learnt in KS1, including learning to describe a range of feelings and recognise how others are feeling. They learn about confidentiality, listening to others and considering the viewpoints of others, as well as learning how actions affect themselves and others. Children begin to learn about recognising bullying and the rights of every human.

Maths

Every lesson will start with Fact Recall, the facts we need to know to be able to progress in our understanding of number - doubles, halves, number bonds, times tables facts are just a few. Every day we will practise what we have learnt in our Daily Practise session too, ensuring that we know how to make connections.

Year 3 Mathematicians will be focusing on place value, looking at numbers up to 1000. We will be able to compare 3-digit numbers and then use this knowledge to add and subtract. We will be using equipment to help and complete some problem solving to help deepen our understanding.

We will be moving on to looking at our times tables such as our 3-, 4- and 8-times table, looking at multiplication and division.

Year 4 Mathematicians will be focussing on place value looking at numbers up to 4-digits and then using this knowledge to add and subtract. We will us lots of equipment and practical activities to develop and deepen our understanding.

We will then move on to focus on times tables and the related multiplication and division facts. Children's knowledge will be deeply embedded with opportunity for children to reason and problem solve throughout all the topics.