November 2024

Dear Parents/carers,

We hope you had an enjoyable and restful half term. This half term we shall be continuing our topic of ‘***Temples, Tombs and Treasures***’ before we move onto our new topic of ***‘Making Waves’*** halfway through the term. This will be our science-based topic and as such we shall be looking into light and sound waves, how they can be detected, created and stopped. This topic has many practical experiments which we know the children will love!

**In Maths, we’ll be:**

* Using our knowledge of place value to add and subtract.
* Using our knowledge of multiplication and division.
* Gaining a greater understanding of area.

**In English, we’ll be:**

* Learning about the structure, vocabulary and grammar used in a range of genres.
* Understanding the elements of and writing a diary entry.
* Exploring the features of poetry and creating our own poems.
* Identifying the techniques used in adventure stories to aid our own writing.

**In Science, we’ll be:**

* Identifying how sounds are made.
* Recognising how sound is affected by distance.
* Exploring how light moves and if we can change its direction.

**In Geography we’ll be:**

* Locating Africa and Egypt on a world map.
* Comparing Egypt’s location in relation to our children’s home countries.
* Discovering the importance of the River Nile.

**In History, we’ll be finding out:**

* About Egyptian Gods and Goddesses.
* The significance of pharaohs to Ancient Egyptians.
* What daily life was like in Ancient Egypt.

**In Art, we’ll be:**

* Looking at the paintings on the walls and the artefacts found inside the tombs.
* Use them as inspiration to create our own Ancient Egyptian art.
* Learning about a variety of artists and their techniques.

**In Computing we’ll be:**

* Looking at the repetition of shapes.
* Using logos to create shapes.
* Developing our coding skills.

**In French we’ll be:**

* Learning how to pronounce instruments names fluently.
* Learning how to write and spell the names of different French instruments.
* Identifying the correct pronouns for masculine and feminine words.

**In Music we’ll be:**

* Composing our own theme and variations.
* Learning how to read music notation.
* Exploring Classical music and the composers within that era.
* Creating ways in which we can develop a simple, musical idea.

**In PE we’ll be:**

* Practicing and developing our football skills.
* Learning about different positions in football.
* Learning about passing and receiving the ball.
* Discussing the importance of teamwork and sportsmanship.

**Homework**

Homework will be sent home on a Friday and due in on Wednesday. The expectation is that one piece of homework is completed each week.

**Reading**

Please ensure reading records are in school every day and ensure to support your child with their reading by reading with them at least three times a week.

**Spellings and Times Tables**

Following assessment, the children will be given spellings to learn. These spellings will be taught throughout the week and incorporated into our English lessons. Spellings will be sent home alongside homework each Friday.

Children will continue to take part in weekly times tables tests in school and record these in their Times Table books.

We already know the interest you take in your child’s work. If you can, please discuss with your child the work they have done as the term progresses. If you have any comments about the work your child has done, please get in touch.

Kind regards,

Mrs Flint-Virtue Mr Fox Miss Yaqub Miss Tappenden