

English

In English this half term, children will have opportunities to develop the writing skills learnt in Year 2. This includes consistently using capital letters and full stops in their sentences and using coordinating conjunctions. The children will begin with writing a setting description of Tutankhamun's tomb then will progress to diary entry writing. The grammar focus for this half term will be on using prepositional phrases, conjunctions to give more information and double adjective noun phrases for a more detailed description.

Religious Education

Our topic this half term is Creation and Covenant. In this topic, we will explore the story of Creation and how humanity, made in the image and likeness of God, is given the task of caring for the Earth.

Children will have the opportunity to reflect and wonder, sharing their thoughts and ideas with others. The children will build upon their learning from Years 1 and 2, and how the poetic style of the Creation story invites us to appreciate how God creates from nothing.

Mathematics

In our maths this half term, we will begin with focusing on Number and Place Value. Children will partition numbers up to 1000 and identify how many hundreds, tens and ones are within a given number. We will look at patterns to help find ten more or less than a number. Later in the term we will move on to addition and subtraction, where we will review number bonds and begin to look at written methods of adding and subtracting 1s, 10s and 100s. During this time, we will also be securing the 2, 5, 10 multiplication tables, with their associated division facts.

Science

Our science topic this half term is 'Light'. We will be looking at the different sources of light we can find and how light reflects off surfaces. As the topic progresses, we will be looking at different materials e.g. opaque, translucent and transparent materials. We will also look at how shadows are formed and how we can change these. We will learn about UV light and how we can protect our eyes and bodies from the effects of the sun.



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Reading

In Reading this half term, children will be reading the non-fiction book 'Egypt Magnified' and the fiction book 'The Scarab Secret'. The children will be developing their dictionary skills by looking up key vocabulary from passages of the text. They will also develop their analysing and understanding of the text through comprehension questions.

Design Technology

The children will be making their own Egyptian collars. This unit builds on the children's repertoire by introducing two new skills: cross-stitch and applique. After learning these techniques, the children will apply their knowledge to the design, decoration and assembly of their very own Egyptian Usekh/Wesekh collars to represent their unique personalities.

Physical Education

This half term in PE, the children will be focusing on their footwork co-ordination, moving forwards and backwards and zig-zagging. They will also be developing their static balance on one leg over a progressive period of time. They will start to challenge themselves in all the activities they are doing as well.

History

We begin our topic, exploring four of the Ancient civilisations and their achievements. We will learn about the Ancient Egyptians, in depth, including the key features of Egyptian society. We will explore the achievements of the Ancient Egyptians and how they changed the world. We will compare Ancient Egyptian society with today and will use a range of resources to research an aspect of Ancient Egyptian society.