English

Initially, our work in English will be based on the book 'The Scarab's Secret' which links nicely with our Egyptian topic. The children will use this to help create their own Egyptian narrative. Along with this, the children will be writing a diary entry as the famous archaeologist Howard Carter on the day he discovered the tomb of Tutankhamun.

In Guided Reading, we will be looking at a range of genres including a diary, non-fiction and narrative. Developing vocabulary will continue to be a focus as well inference skills.

PE

In PE the children will be learning different techniques in gymnastics and developing their hockey skills.

Science

Our topic for this term is Electricity. The children will be learning how to make a simple series circuit and how switches are used. They will also be learning about insulators and conductors as well as being able to identify electrical items around the home and how to be safe around these items.

What clues did the Ancient Egyptians leave us to find?



Maths

The children will be continuing to learn effective mental strategies for calculating, this time focusing on subtraction.

After, they will be using their knowledge of previously learnt tables to build the 11 and 12 times tables, ready for the Multiplication Tables Check in June.

Finally, children will move on to using written methods for adding and subtracting, using the skills and understanding from our learning around mental strategies to support their calculation.

French

This term our topic is 'Going Shopping. The children will be reviewing the vocabulary of fruits, vegetables and clothing. They will then learn how to ask key questions about going shopping.

Computing

Our next unit is called Logo. The children will be able to draw different shapes using positional language and will carefully code in every step of the process. This will link with their maths knowledge of direction and degrees in a circle.

Reminders

PE kits need to remain in school.

Please bring in reading records on Mondays to earn your reading rewards.

RE

Our theme for this term is Buddhism. The children will be learning about the life of Buddha and considering whether his teachings could make the world a better place.

PSHE

We will be looking at 'Dreams and goals' where the children will be thinking about what they want to achieve from their immediate and long-term future.

DT

Children will learn about pneumatic systems and how air can create movement. They will then use this knowledge to design and make their own Canopic iar.

Diary Dates

Book swop – 30.1.26 Egypt day in school – 14.1.26

Music

Class 9 will have a final term of recorder lessons every Friday with a teacher from Swindon Music services. Class 10 will be developing pulse and groove through improvisation, following the theme of Music is a change-maker.

History

We are looking at the ancient Egyptian civilisation and the artefacts the Egyptians left behind. Through comparing and analysing sources, the children will gain an insight into what life was like in Ancient Egypt. They will also be able to place this period of history on a timeline.