

Information for Parents and Carers

Class 3: Year B, Spring 2, 2024

Theme: What Were The Greatest Achievements of the Ancient Egyptians?



This half term we will continue to learn about the Ancient Egyptians and the amazing achievements they made. The children will discover all about the Egyptian gods, what Ancient Egyptians believed about the afterlife, how the pyramids were built and who the greatest pharaoh was in all of Egypt's history.



English:

This half term our writing will be inspired by Tadeo Jones, a short film linked to our Ancient Egyptians topic. The children will be writing diary entries as well as developing their ability to write detailed setting descriptions.



A focus on the use of the formation of nouns using a range of prefixes such as 'super-, anti-, auto-' etc will enhance this further. We will also be developing our knowledge of apostrophes to mark single and plural possession (e.g. the girl's name, the boys' boots)

Mathematics:

This half term we will be focussing on Geometry, Measures and Formal methods for all four operations.

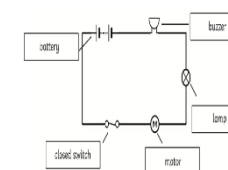


Times tables will continue to be an ongoing focus and we will continue with the weekly times tables practice and timed activity on a Friday. Please remember to check Google Classroom on a Friday for Mathletics activities and to find out the week's times table focus. There will be a link to songs and TTRockstars.

Science:

This half term we will be continuing learning about **Electricity**.

We have already learnt the importance of using electricity safely, and we know how to identify potential hazards. We are experts at knowing the technical names and symbols for circuit components and we have a great understanding of how to construct a series circuit.



Throughout this half term, we will be developing our investigations further and experimenting with a range of materials to conclude those that 'conduct' electricity and those that 'insulate' electricity. We will also be studying the importance of the light bulb and the history behind its invention.

PE & Games:

This term's PE is Pop Lacrosse (**Mondays**) and Badminton (**Fridays**).

Please ensure that your child comes to school in their PE kit on Mondays and Fridays.



Key Dates

Friday 8th March: Visiting storyteller for World Book Day.
Tuesday 12th March: Mother's Day Celebrations at Friezland Church, all welcome (more info to follow)
Thursday 14th March: Y3/4 boys 5-a-side morning (more info to follow)
Thursday 14th March and Tuesday 19th March: Parent's Evenings
Thursday 28th March: Outdoor Learning Day.

Additional Learning:

Design and Technology

Children will be using their knowledge of electrical systems to design an electric museum display based on the Egyptians.

French

French Culture

Music

Brass

Computing

Using a program called 'Logo'. '2Logo' is a text-based coding language used to control an on-screen marker to create mathematical patterns.

Art

Children will learn about Ancient Egyptian art, make papyrus and an ancient scroll

How you can help at home

- All home learning and Spellings will be set on Google Classroom each week. Spellings will be set on **Friday and will be tested the following Friday**.
- A short SPaG activity will be set on **Fridays** to be completed by the following **Wednesday**.
- Two Mathletics tasks will be set every **Friday** to be completed by the following **Wednesday**. Please login to TTRockstars regularly to develop times table skills.
- There will be a Times Table focus each week, which will be put on Google Classroom. Times table tests will take place every **Friday**.
- A home learning grid will be sent home each term. Pupils should complete at least three of the activities over the half term.
- Ensure your child reads every day to an adult for at least 10 minutes. By reading with a child you are not just helping them to speed up decoding words, but also aiding their understanding and inference skills.**