

Dear Year 3 parents

Following our introduction to Ancient Civilizations, Year 3 will be looking at Ancient Egypt much more closely this half term.

Dates for your diary

Mon 6th and Thu 9th November. Parents' evenings in person in your child's classroom.

13th November. Anti-bullying Week.

Week beginning Mon 27th November. Savoy Cinema Trip.

Fri 1st Dec PTA Christmas Fair.

Fri 8th December. Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day.

Tue 11th December. Trip to Bolton Museum and Art Gallery.

Tue 19th December. Year 3 and 4 Carol Concert.

Thu 21st December. Y3 Christmas party afternoon. School closes.

Mon 8th January. School reopens.

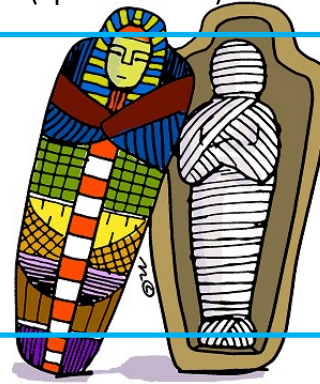
English

We use the opportunity of Ancient Egypt to look at the features associated with non-fiction books e.g. contents, index, glossary, diagrams, captions, paragraphing, headings and sub-headings. Children will write a non-chronological report. We will be looking at the work of Roger McGough and exploring his poem 'The Sound Collector'.

Spanish

The children will expand on their range of greetings and learn numbers to 30. They will be able to ask '¿Cuántos años tienes?' and reply, 'Tengo ... años' to say how old they are. Toward the end of term the children will learn how Christmas is celebrated in Spain and learn a villancico (Spanish Carol).

I Want My Mummy!



History

The children will now be looking more closely at Ancient Egypt. We will look at the importance of the River Nile and use oranges to replicate the process used in mummification. They will study what it would be like to live in those times. How do we even know about Ancient Egypt?

Physical Education

As before the holiday, children need their games kits and PE kits in school at all times. Please keep both games and PE kits simple and in line with the uniform policy. White t-shirt, black shorts and black tracksuit. No unnecessary additional items or branded sportswear please.

Mathematics

As we spent the first half-term consolidating place value and the number system, we are only now moving the children onto mental and formal methods of addition and subtraction.

The children will then use their multiplication tables to learn some informal methods of multiplying larger numbers. Remember that all of our children have access to online learning tools such as Mathletics and TT Rock stars which can be used to consolidate learning in the classroom.

Computing

Programming will move from the concrete experience of the ProBots to onscreen programming. For this we will use PurpleMash's coding app, 'Chimp'. This is something that the children can continue to work on at home as they have access to their PurpleMash account. At the end of the term they will use another PurpleMash app, 2DIY3D to design and make their own Ancient Egyptian tomb invasion game.

Art

The children will be looking at facial features and sketch these using drawing pencils. They will then put these elements together to design an Ancient Egyptian Death mask which will inform their mod-roc mask.