



OWL CLASS



NEWSLETTER

Welcome...

Welcome back.

Welcome back, we hope that you all had a lovely Easter holiday and didn't eat too much chocolate!

This half term our topic will be The Ancient Egyptians. If anyone has been to Egypt and actually seen the pyramids or has any photos to share we would be very grateful.

This half term also incorporates SATS week and the children will be working very hard so that they can do their very best.

English

In this first half term we will continue looking at a variety of different text genres. However we are going to be taken a little bit of a different approach and will be leading our English learning through the use of a particular text. We will be using the story of Peter Pan (the original story by J.Barrie) We will be starting by looking at non-chronological reports based around pirates. Then we will be looking at poetry and its performance. After that we will be looking at letter writing taking on the perspective of one of the characters. And finally, we will be looking at and writing adventure stories based on the story we have investigated.

MATHS

This half term we will be revisiting some of the key concepts in Mathematics including solving problems within the four operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, including the use of money and multi-step problems. We will also be recapping the relationship between fractions, decimals and percentages and how we find quantities of given amounts.

After that we will be refocusing on units of measure and how we convert between them. This will include looking at time problems on both analogue and digital clocks.

Timetable for the week

English and Maths are taught every day

Monday – Those that have elected to carry on with their instrument playing from last year will have the opportunity to play the clarinet with a specialist teacher. Afternoons will be Topic/PSHE

Tuesday – Afternoons will be Topic/science.

Wednesday – Spelling tests will be taken every Wednesday with new spellings set and sent home each week. Afternoon will be Art and PE. Alternate weeks being taught by Mrs Flack & Mrs Mott

Thursday – The morning is taught by Mrs King and the afternoon by Mrs Mott supported by Mr Morris teaching French/Music

Friday – Topic/Science and PE

Topics

Our Topic this half term is "Ancient Egyptians". Our topic learning will be mainly based around history however we will be extending it into our Geography learning by looking at where within the world Egypt is located and the importance of the River Nile. We will also be extending the topic into our Art learning by designing, making and evaluating Egyptian necklaces and by making papyrus paper. We will also be making some Egyptian masks using a material called Modrock. This is very messy and does not come off of clothes if it gets on them, therefore could you please send in some kind of overall to cover your child's clothes for the second week of term (an old adult tee-shirt will do).

We will also be examining the role of the Pharaohs and how Ancient societies were organised. We will also cover such topics and trying to answer questions such as why and how were the pyramids built?

Ways that you can help your child at home this half term:

To help support your child over the next half term it would be greatly appreciated if you could ensure that you:

Hear your child read regularly.

Practice the weekly spellings.

Help your child to learn their multiplication tables and help them increase their speed at reciting them.

Support your child with their weekly home learning.

And finally...

Discuss and share any knowledge or photographs you have about Egypt. If you have any artefacts that you would be happy to share with the children we would be very grateful if you could bring them into school.

And finally, finally...

If you could share, or help your children to read the story of Peter Pan by J. Barrie during the half term we would be very grateful.