



Spring 1

2019

Mrs Martin

Homework this term will continue to be set on My Maths. If there are any problems accessing this at home, computers will be available Tuesday lunchtimes for children to use. Children are also expected to read regularly at home, with an adult signing their reading record each time. They will have spellings to learn each week and most children will have times tables to practice until they are fluent (fast!) up to 12X12.

PE kits should be in school every day.

Things to remember:

Monday	PE, Times Tables Test
Tuesday	
Wednesday	PE, Music lessons (LMS)
Thursday	
Friday	Spelling Test

Computing

Years 3 & 4: The children will be using presentation software to plan and write an adventure story with alternative endings.

Year 5 & 6: This half term we will be using software to write and record a podcast. The children will write scripts then create sound files, including interviews and a jingle.

Religious Education

This half term the children will be learning about the story of Daniel. They will consider the story beyond the well known 'lion's den' and think about its implications for how Christians choose to live their lives.

Art

The children will look at how artists have used clay to represent the human figure, before exploring a range of techniques to design and create an Egyptian amulet.

Music

Through music with an Egyptian theme, the children will practise and improve their performance skills in singing. They will learn about layering music and how to create different textures using their voices and instruments, including techniques such as two part harmonies and rhythmic ostinati.

They will then compose their own verses to extend their Egyptian song.

PSHE

Years 3 and 4 will be thinking about risks and hazards, considering how they can stay safe and who they can ask for help.

Years 5 and 6 will also be looking at risks and hazards, with a greater focus on emotional needs and how to respond to peer pressure.

History

This half term's topic is Ancient Egypt. They will place the Egyptian period on a timeline and relate it to other important events in history. They will look at the life and achievements of Howard Carter and explore the implications of the discovery of Tutankhamun's tomb and the Rosetta Stone.

The topic will be complemented by a trip to the World Museum in Liverpool to look at Egyptian

PE

On Wednesdays the children will be learning hockey with Miss Speight, a qualified hockey coach with England Hockey.

On Mondays they will continue to experience a range of sports with Mr Singleton.

Science

Years 3 & 4

This half term the children will be learning about rocks and soil. We will sort and identify a range of rocks and minerals before looking at fossils and trying to create our own. We will look at how soil is formed and perform various tests to find out more.

Year 5 & 6

'Evolution and inheritance' is this term's science topic, which will be linked with the Lower Key Stage 2 topic of rocks and soils through the examination of fossils and what they can show us about variation over time.

The children will identify inherited and acquired characteristics that they have from their parents. They have already expressed annoyance when people say they look just like one of their parents – but acknowledge the truth of it!

Finally, they will consider how animals adapt to their environment over time.