Year 4 Class Information Term 1

Please find some useful information about our routines and our curriculum this term, to help you help the children make the most of their learning.

English: This term our texts will be The Egyptian Cinderella, the Story of Tutankhamun and You Wouldn't Want to be an Egyptian Mummy. Our class reader is 'Secrets of a Sun King'.

We will be focusing on writing instructions, writing a new version of a traditional tale with an Egyptian twist, doing some research to write a biography as well as writing some poetry about the river Nile.









Mathematics: In maths this year, we will follow The White Rose Recovery Curriculum. This combines new learning with revisiting topics and skills covered in year 3, giving confidence / filling any gaps whilst moving learning on. We will do a block on place value – 4 digit numbers, number lines to 10, 000, ordering 4 digit numbers and understanding the value of each digit. Our second block will be on addition and subtraction – moving towards column addition and subtraction with 4 digits. Practical equipment and drawing pictures continue to be important when children learn new things in year 4. Times tables will be practised daily in school whenever possible.

History: In our history lessons this term we will be study the Ancient Egyptian civilisation. We will be using different historical sources to find about the past, and learning about the many different aspects of life in Ancient Egypt, as well as Howard Carter's discovery of Tutankhamun's tomb. We will finish the topic with a fun Egyptian activity day when the children may come in dressed up as an Egyptian.

Geography: In our geography lessons this term we will be finding out where Egypt is, what its climate is like, the importance of the river Nile to the Ancient Egyptians, how they farmed and what crops they grew.

Science: We will be experimenting with electrical circuits and learning how to make complete circuits with bulbs, buzzers and motors. We will draw diagrams showing simple circuits.

Computing: How to use search engines effectively and safely

PE: Dance and team games

Music: Exploring rhythm and beat

French: Words for family members

RE: We will look at the story of Creation and how Christians show their respect for God by taking care of the world and think about what we can do to show respect and appreciation of our world.

PSHE: We will spend some time reflecting on different aspects of the effects of lockdown and settling back into school and managing our feelings as well as looking at our rights and responsibilities and rewards and consequences.

Home Learning:

Reading-15 mins 5 x a week. Change finished reading books Monday, Wednesday, Friday

Spelling-6-8 words per week with an activity. **Maths**—TTRS **Topic**- see choice grid

Useful Dates: PE days: Thursday & Friday – please come to school wearing PE kit 25th September: Year 4 Family Worship – sent to you via dojo (due to Covid-19 restrictions) 21st October: Egyptian activity day