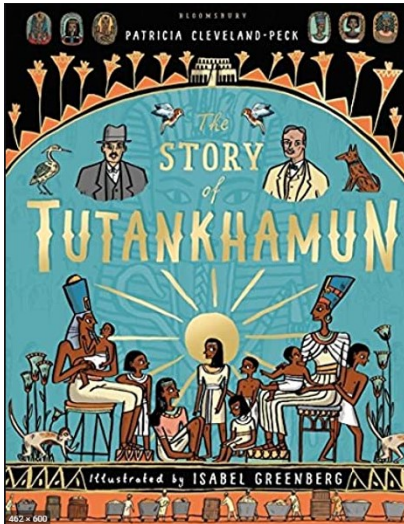


Curriculum Newsletter

Year 3

Term Autumn 1

Temples, Tombs and Treasures



Welcome to Year 3! This term we will be learning about the Ancient Egyptians through the topic Temples, Tombs and Treasures. The people who helped create the first great civilisations were not unlike you and me. Today we can learn a lot about these people and their way of life through the things they left behind – from everyday objects to magnificent and rare treasures. As part of the topic we will be reading The story of Tutankhamun by Patricia Cleveland-Peck. As part of our entry point the children will become archaeologists and ‘dig’ for ancient ruins.

Goldilocks words for topic

The Goldilocks words are the key vocabulary the children will learn, understand and be able to use by the end of the topic.

They are called Goldilocks words as they are not too easy, not too hard, but just right!

temple	symbols
tomb	treasure
ancient	Egypt
mummy / mummification	Pharaoh
death mask	merchant
scribe	priest

Ideas for home learning

- Plan and create your own tomb wall painting
- Make an Ancient Egyptian headdress
- Research Egyptian hieroglyphics and write messages
- compare life in Ancient Sumer with life in Ancient Egypt
- Research other Ancient Egyptian Pharaohs and Queens

PE Days (These days will be until our swimming times are confirmed by Brixton Rec)

3NW Wednesdays and Fridays

3DB Monday and Wednesdays

Please come to school dressed in PE kits white t shirt and black shorts/ tracksuit bottoms. For health and safety reasons, children must also wear trainers on these days.

In English we will learn about *Myths and Legends* including Theseus and the Minotaur.

We will:

Read myths and legends from different countries and cultures and make links.

Consider characters' emotions.

Use interesting adjectives.

Write a diary entry in the first person.

Write an advertisement.

Learn about direct and indirect speech, and begin to use inverted commas.

In RE we will:

Learn about Islam.

Develop our understanding of the worship and festivals of other faiths.

In Music we will:

Learn to play the recorder, glockenspiel and Djembe drums.

Learn about beat, rhythm and tempo.

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In Maths we will:

Develop our understanding of place value of up to three-digit numbers.

Identify, represent and estimate numbers in different ways.
Compare and order numbers up to 1000.

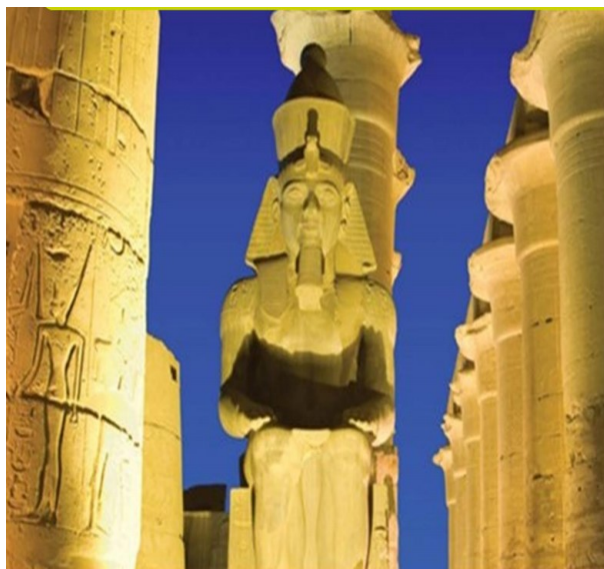
Count in multiples of 4, 8, 50 and 100.

Add and subtract numbers mentally.

Add and subtract numbers with up to three digits using formal written methods.

Solve number and practical problems using number facts and place value.

Develop our reasoning skills.



Our topic for this term is:

Temples, Tombs and Treasures

We will:

Explore what life was like in Ancient Egypt.

Learn about Ancient Egyptian gods and beliefs about the afterlife.

Understand the process of mummification.

Discover the significance of pharaohs like Tutankhamun, and what can be learnt from their tombs.

Learn to write using Hieroglyphs.

In Science we will learn about *Light*.

We will:

Learn about light and understand darkness as the absence of light.

Investigate how shadows are made and changed.

Discover how light reflects and different reflective surfaces.

Explore how mirrors work.

Plan a simple enquiry then record and present our findings.

In Computing we will:

Learn about how we can stay safe and make good choices online.

In PE we will:

Use running, jumping, throwing, catching in isolation and in combination.

-Play competitive games and apply basic principles suitable for attacking and defending.