

English

Our guided reading will be based around the novel 'Odd and the Frost Giants'. Our writing genres this term will be poetry, fantasy, newspaper reports and explanation texts. We will be reading extracts from famous fantasy stories and watching video clips to engage the children before writing their own extended piece. In our poetry unit we look at kennings, cinquain, haiku and limericks. The children will also study and perform some of the poems from the musical 'Cats'. The non-fiction work will be linked to the history topic Egyptians. In SPAG, we will be trying to incorporate fronted adverbials and will also be improving how we punctuate speech. Our spellings will focus on the Lower KS2 lists this term.

Maths

The children will continue to practise their multiplication and division facts and use these to be able to multiply and divide 2 and 3-digit numbers by 1-digit numbers. We will also be finding the area of shapes and comparing different areas. Then we will be looking at fractions, counting in tenths and finding equivalent fractions. We will also be adding and subtracting fractions and calculating fractions of a quantity. The children will then move on to decimals where they will recognise tenths and hundredths as decimals and use tenths and hundredths on a place value grid.

R.E.

The children will look at Jesus' authority and how this is shown in the Bible. We will look in depth at the miracles he performed. We will then move on to the Easter Story, looking at trust and betrayal.

Year 4 Spring Term Egyptians

Key Vocabulary

circuit	pyramid
conductor	mummification
Tutankhamun	insulator
noun phrase	Egypt
adverb	decimals
commas	fractions
hundredths	area

Science

Initially, we will be learning about electricity. We will be making circuits using bulbs, buzzers and motors as well as investigating conductors and insulators. We will be looking at the workings of a plug and will also be learning the electrical symbols for each component. We will then move on to learning about forces, including water and air resistance. We will also carry out investigations using newton meters.

Art/DT

We will be painting landscapes in the style of Cornish artists. We will complete observational drawings of Egyptian artefacts and start learning some sewing skills to make a money container.

History

We will be learning about the Ancient Egyptians. We will be finding out about the discovery of Tutankhamun's tomb and researching how the pyramids were built. The children will be looking at Egyptian Gods and Goddesses and we will also be discovering the gruesome facts of mummification.

Music

The children will be following two units from the Charanga scheme: Stop! and Lean on Me.

PE

Coach Dan will lead the children in some fitness sessions and discussing well-being. We will also be keeping active by playing some target games and using tactical skills. We will then be moving on to teaching dance and devising our own routines.

Computing

The children will be learning about computer networking and then move on to exploring data handling using different programs.

Wider Curriculum

Intra-sports
Egyptian Day
World Book Day
Easter creative week

Values

Our values this term are
Thankfulness and Responsibility