

Bear Class - Term 3

We hope you all had a lovely Christmas break and are ready for an exciting term of learning ahead. This term, our topic is the Ancient Egyptians and we will be looking at the question *Can you walk like an Ancient Egyptian?*

In English, we will be looking at Howard Carter's discovery of Tutankhamun's tomb and writing a newspaper report. We will also be using a short film as the basis for a diary entry and some narrative writing. In our Topic lessons, we will be exploring what life was like in Ancient Egypt, the significant pharaohs of the time and the process of mummification. In addition to this, we will learn about how to communicate in hieroglyphics. Our Maths learning will focus on multiplication and division and position and direction as well as reinforcing the children's times tables knowledge. In Science, we will be learning about electricity and the role of bulbs and switches in simple series circuits. Our Art learning will link to this term's topic as we will be creating Egyptian scrolls. We are also going to have an Egyptian themed day to enhance our learning further. A letter will be sent home soon with more details.

Homework:

Children are expected to read daily, learn their spellings and practice times tables. Times Table Rockstars and Spelling Shed will be regularly updated to allow them to do this online if they would like to. However, they are welcome to learn their spellings and times tables in other ways if they prefer. If your child chooses not to use Spelling Shed or Times Table Rockstars, please can you record how else they are completing this learning in their homework books.

In addition to this, a termly grid of optional challenges will be sent home.

Please continue to bring Homework books into school on a Monday.

Reading:

Your child will have two school reading books. One which remains in their tray for independent reading sessions in school and one which will come home. These books are both at a particular level according to their Term 2 reading assessment.

The children are regularly reminded to change their reading books and to ensure they have one to take home but are trusted to do this independently. Please continue to let us know if your child is forgetting to bring a reading book home.

Please continue to log any reading which is done at home in their homework book.

PE days:

Monday and Thursday

Forest School:

Friday 23rd January

(Please bring a packed lunch to school on this day as we plan to be at Backhouse Woods if possible).

Other events:

PTFA Movie night - Friday 30th January

Online safety week - w/c 9th February