

Year 4



Broughton Community Schools

CLASS NEWSLETTER



Ancient Egypt

This project teaches children about the history Ancient Egypt. Children will be learning about the Pharaohs, pyramids, hieroglyphics and Egyptian Gods through an immersive play written specifically for this topic.

As with the Romans, this play will be a fun, engaging opportunity to delve in to life in Ancient Egypt from 3100BC to the Roman invasion in circa 50BC. There will be a performance for parents at the end of term.

All children will be given a script to take home before the Easter holidays so if they would like a speaking role, they can come back in the summer term prepared to read for that part.

We will also be taking a trip to the Waterside Theatre to watch the Horrible Histories production, 'Awful Egyptians'.

If you would like to contact us, you can email us on our school email addresses:

Turtle Class (Mrs Smith) turtle@broughton.bucks.sch.uk

Narwhal Class (Mrs Eden-Fry) narwhal@broughton.bucks.sch.uk

Over the course of the term, our English text, 'Marcy and the Riddle of the Sphinx' will also allow the children a deeper insight in to our topic.

The remainder of the curriculum is as follows:

Overview of the project:

English:

Summer 1:

Purpose: To inform.

Outcomes: Third person narrative / Informal letter.

Text: Varjak Paw by SF Said

Summer 2:

Purpose: To entertain and to inform.

Outcomes: Third person narrative / Non-chronological report

Text: Marcy and the Riddle of the Sphinx by Joe Todd-Stanton



Maths: Decimals, Money, Time, Shape, Statistics, Position and Direction

Science: Habitats, digestive system and food chains.

History: Ancient Egypt

Art: Islamic art

PSHE: Relationships and Changing Me

DT: Fastenings (learning to sew)

RE: Hinduism and Christianity

Computing: Coding with Scratch

Learning Behaviour: Friendship and resilience

Timetable

Start: 8:40am

Finish: 3:15pm

PE - Monday

Swimming - Friday

Children will come into school in PE kits. All children must have a white top or house colour, black or navy shorts. Trainers, black or navy joggers and jumpers will be required for outdoor PE.

Forest School - Monday

All children need wellies and a waterproof coat

Equipment:

Children must also have a named water bottle and waterproof coat in school every day. All equipment is provided so pencil cases are not required in school. Please remember a sun hat and sun cream.

Snacks:

Healthy snacks are encouraged, e.g. Fruit and cereal bars. No sweets, chocolate or crisps please. Please help us to be careful of nut allergies and not send any nut products to school.

Homework:

Reading - You should read with your child at least 5 times a week at home.

Spellings - Sent out on a Tuesday and tested on the Tuesday after. These can be completed on Spelling Shed.

TT Rock stars - Use TT Rockstars to practice times tables. Children will be tested through the '99 club' on a Tuesday. The Multiplication Tables Check is in June.

Topic homework:

There is a topic homework sheet attached. We would like the children to choose at least one piece to do and bring in to share with the class.

Dates

15th May - Trip to Waterside theatre and picnic

Multiplication Tables Check - Beginning of June 2026 (exact date TBC)

15th July - Egyptian play PM

16th July - Egyptian play AM

Our Team

Mrs Eden-Fry (Narwhal class)

Mrs Smith (Turtle class)

Miss Bateman (LSA)

Miss Hicks (LSA)

Thank you for your support
Year 4 team

After mummification, people were buried in a tomb wearing a death mask. Can you design a death mask?



Can you create a fact-file on a famous Ancient Egyptian, for example Tutankhamun or Nefertiti?



Can you research and discover the Egyptian number system? Can you create a poster to explain how it works?



Can you research the Egyptian Gods and create a poster about them. Include facts and pictures.



Ancient Egypt

Learn your lines and songs for our play



Suggested reading



Can you design your own hieroglyphic alphabet using pictures relevant to life in Britain today?



Vocabulary

Pharaoh, scribe, peasant, irrigation, flooding, river Nile, afterlife, mummification, Hieroglyphics, pyramids, canopic jars, tomb