

Year 3/4 Topic Overview- Autumn 2: Ancient Egypt

English

We will be mummifying tomatoes and writing clear instructions for the mummification process. We will also be writing narratives based on the text 'Egyptian Cinderella'.

Maths

Both Year 3s and Year 4s will be continuing units on addition/subtraction before moving on to multiplication and division. Year 4s will also begin learning about measurement and area.

Science

Our science unit this half term is light. We will be learning how shadows are formed, exploring what affects the length and darkness of shadows, and investigating which materials reflect light.

History

In history, we will be learning all about Ancient Egypt, starting with chronological placement in world history. We will then be focusing on some of the key achievements of the Ancient Egyptian civilisation, including the development of farming, the building of the pyramids and the use of mummification.

RE

Our big questions is: How was the world created? We will be comparing creation stories from different cultures, religions and worldviews. The children will consider similarities, differences and their own beliefs.

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Computing

In computing we will be coding and creating algorithms. We will learn how to programme a repetition in shapes to make Egyptian amulet patterns.

PE

In our dance unit we will be learning to understand the beat and phrase of the music so we can dance in time. Outdoors skills TBC as we are hoping to trial a new PE scheme in Year 3/4.

Art

We will be developing line, tone and shading techniques to draw Egyptian themed self-portraits.

Music

We will be learning about Egyptian music and instruments, plus singing some short songs about Ancient Egypt.

PSHE

Our PSHE units this half term are:

- Conflict resolution - helping children understand why friends may fall out and beginning to teach them conflict resolution skills like negotiation and cooperation.
- Anti-bullying - Anti-Bullying Week is w/c 10th November. The theme this year is Power for Good where we will be encouraging children to reflect on how they can use their power to show kindness and speak out about injustice

Spanish

In Spanish the children will learn how to use the verbs 'soy' and 'es' with a range of adjectives to describe themselves and others.