



Woodpecker Class Newsletter

Summer 1 2018

Dear Parents/Carers

WELCOME back to Woodpecker Class. It sounds like you all had exciting and busy Easter break! The Woodpecker team are very pleased to be working with your child again this half term. We would like to share with you some of the things that will be happening in Woodpecker Class this half term.



Woodpecker Class topic



Our topic this half term is "Time Team". Throughout this topic we will cover:

- ✚ Egyptian Gods
- ✚ The importance of the River Nile
- ✚ Mummification
- ✚ Egyptian artefacts

To continue your child's learning at home you could:

- ✚ Have a go at mummifying an apple
https://www.rom.on.ca/sites/default/files/imce/rom_apple_mummy_activity.pdf
- ✚ Build your own pyramid out of lego or sugar cubes
- ✚ Wrap yourself in yourself in toilet roll to become a mummy!

Reminder

Please remember to send in your child's blue home school link books and yellow reading logs. Reading at home will help the children achieve reading prizes.

Please also ensure that all school clothing is clearly named to avoid any losses. Thank you.

English



In English this term we will be focussing our writing lessons around Myths and Legends. We will be describing different characters and settings, reading ancient Egyptian myths and legends and designing our own Egyptian Gods.

We will continue to learn phonics on Mondays, Social Skills on Tuesdays, Reading Comprehension on Wednesdays and Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar on Thursdays.

Maths



In Maths this term our focus in Number will include number bonds, odd and even numbers, using a calculator to help us solve addition and subtraction problems, rounding numbers and finding the difference between two groups of objects, Our topic lessons will focus on 3D shapes and their properties.

Important dates



- Monday 23rd April - Vaisakha Day
- Monday 7th May - Bank Holiday
- Monday 14th - Friday 18th - Fairthorne Manor (Y5 go for 1 day and Y6 for 2 days and 1 night)
- Friday 25th May - End of term. 3:00 finish.

PE



Swimming is now finished so we have PE on a Monday afternoon and a Friday afternoon. If you have not already, please could you send your child in with an appropriate named t-shirt, shorts, plimsolls or trainers

Weather



The weather will (hopefully!) be getting warmer over the next few weeks so please ensure your child has a named sun hat in school and that you put lotion on them before they come to school.