



Year 5 Spring 1 Newsletter



January 2024

Happy New Year!

Welcome back to Year 5 with Miss Hamilton, Mr Hoten, Mrs Tibbetts, Mrs Hubbard, Mr Richardson and Mrs Bhorjee.

Important information:

- Year 5 PE days are on Tuesday and Wednesday with swimming on alternate weeks. Please see the website for PE uniform.
- Children are encouraged to read their accelerated reading book every day. When they have completed their book, they will take a quiz on that book in school. We also encourage you to read with your child at home regularly.
- Please send messages via the email address: Year5@westfield.staffs.sch.uk. We will be able to reply to your emails at the end of the working day.

Pharaohs



Creative

Throughout this fantastic historical topic, the children will be using their prior knowledge on civilisations, independent research skills and creativity to complete work on the following areas:

- Recognising the names and use of Egyptian artefacts.
- Placing events on a timeline.
- Finding out the uses of the River Nile.
- Creating artwork based on hieroglyphs and Egyptian masks.
- Creating a fact file about the Egyptian Gods and Goddesses.
- Researching traditional Egyptian food and cooking an Egyptian dish.

By the end of the topic you should know the answers to these questions...

How did the Egyptians live?

How did they use the River Nile?

Who discovered Tutankhamen?

What are Egyptian hieroglyphs?

What did the Ancient Egyptians eat?

What was the Rosetta Stone?



Year 5 Rowan and Willow Class



RE

The focus in RE this term will be 'What is happiness?'. Pupils will consider a fundamental question of life learning from other people's thoughts as well as their own experiences.

PSHE

The title of our PSHE topic this term is 'Me and My safety'. We will look at what to do when we feel unsafe, how we can get help and how to deal pressure including peer pressure.

PE

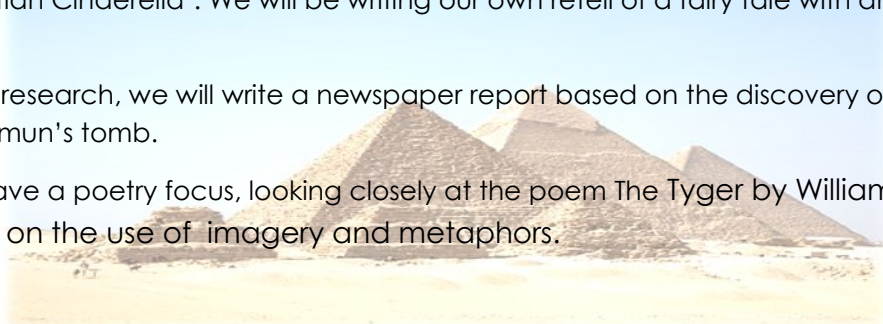
This term we are doing circuit training and outdoor activities in addition to swimming.

English

Our work in English will be based on stories from other cultures. In particular, the fairy tale 'An Egyptian Cinderella'. We will be writing our own retell of a fairy tale with an Egyptian twist.

Using our research, we will write a newspaper report based on the discovery of Tutankhamun's tomb.

We will have a poetry focus, looking closely at the poem The Tyger by William Blake, focusing on the use of imagery and metaphors.



Maths

In maths, we will be learning how to:

- Multiply 2, 3 and 4 digit numbers by a 1 digit number.
- Multiply 2, 3 and 4 digit numbers by a 2 digit number.
- Divide 2, 3 and 4 digit numbers by a 1 digit number.
- Find decimal and fraction equivalents.

Homework

Make a model pyramid – be creative and use different materials to make your model.

Create a quiz about ancient Egypt for the class to take part in.

Create a brochure or leaflet all about modern day Egypt.

Go on TT Rock Stars every day!

Design and make a model of an artefact .

Find out why animals were so important to the Egyptians. Create an information collage to show your findings, combining text and images.