

Year 5 Spring Newsletter 2024

Our new topic will focus on Africa and the Egyptians!

Literacy

In Literacy, we will link our learning to Africa, researching and writing narratives. As part of this topic we will be going to the West Midlands Safari Park. Alongside this, we will continue to improve grammatical understanding and implement this within our writing. Spelling rules and patterns will be rehearsed, as well as learning to use the correct punctuation to create specific effects in our writing. The children will continue to work on joining handwriting neatly.

Numeracy

In Maths, we will focus on place value across the four operations. We will also cover fractions, decimals, percentages, measurements, properties of shapes and statistics.

Reading

This term, we will read a variety of African tales and non-fiction texts linked to our theme and our learning in literacy. Please ensure that your child reads regularly to an adult and that this is recorded in their reading diary.

Humanities

We will have a geography element in our learning focussing on different human and physical features across the continent of Africa, particularly the River Nile. In History we will learn about the era of the Ancient Egyptians, their daily life, gods, pharaohs and many other aspects of their existence.

RE

We will focus on learning about various religions linked to our topic, key religious figures such as Nelson Mandela and will be discussing the difference between prayer, meditation and reflection.

Science

Science will focus on lifestyles of animals and plants across Africa and the local environment, as well as the changes as humans develop to old age.

D/T

In D/T we will be using different textiles to create an African pattern design, whilst exploring different colours and shapes.

Art

In Art we will be focussing on two artists. Peju Alatise and Arinze Stanley Egbengwu.

Hippodrome Update

As a part of our work with the Hippodrome, there will be an opportunity in July to go see the musical The Lion King.

Homework

Please ensure that your child regularly completes their weekly homework. This includes spellings in Literacy, numeracy homework linked to weekly objectives and theme linked to Africa.

PE Day - Wednesday. Please have your kit ready in school.