

## English

In English, we will study the story of Isis and Osiris, learning about their lives as Egyptian gods. We will continue to improve our sentence skills and the use of direct speech punctuation.

We will also learn how to write a newspaper article based on the story. Alongside this, we will continue building key reading skills through reciprocal reading and focus on key Year 4 spelling patterns.

## Music

This term our class will continue to be learning to play Djembe Drums. We will continue to establish new rhythms in preparation for a performance.

## French/Computing

In French, we will continue to build our confidence speaking a different language by learning 'vegetable' words. In computing, we will learn about computational thinking.

## Geography

At the start of the topic we will learn all about the location of Egypt and the importance of the River Nile.

## PE

In PE, the children will be learning the sport of dodgeball where they will develop their hand-eye coordination. They will also be working on their football skills. PE will be on a Tuesday and a Thursday. Please ensure they have suitable clothing (some PE will be outdoors) and footwear.

## Science

This term our topic is Animals, Including Humans. We will be finding out about the different teeth in our mouths and understanding the functions of the different types of teeth. We will investigate the causes of tooth decay and understand what is meant by a balanced diet. Through investigation, we will also find out about the different parts of the digestive system, what their functions are and the journey of our food. We will also learn about food chains.

## Year 4 Topic 2: Ancient Egyptians



## PSHE: Life Education Visit

After half-term, we will be taking part in a Life Education visit with the theme 'It's Great to be Me'. This will take place on Monday 28th October. We will also be learning about valuing difference.

## Forest Schools

**Mrs Thomas' class:** 14<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> October and 4<sup>th</sup> November

**Mr McMillan's class:** 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> November

## Key Dates

Visit to Bosworth Battlefield (am) - Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November

Year 4 Djembe Drum Performance to visitors @ 9:00 - Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November

## D&T

During this topic, we will learn about pneumatics. They will design, make and evaluate a model with pneumatic components. The product will be cross-curricular and link with our Ancient Egyptian topic.

## Maths

The children will be learning about multiplication especially focusing on different strategies to learn and remember their times tables.

## History

Our Ancient Egyptian topic will begin with a visit by Cleopatra as part of a history workshop. We will then compare Ancient Egypt with other ancient civilisations. Then we will investigate what ancient Egyptians believed in. This will include learning about life and death in Ancient Egypt.

## RE

In RE we will focus on Hindu beliefs. We will identify how Hindu's worship, both at home and in the Mandir. We will also look at the story of Diwali and make connections with deities and avatars. The children will be raising questions about the cycle of life and the idea of reincarnation.

## Christmas

In the last week of term, the children will have a Christmas Week. On **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December**, Year 4 will lead the Christingle Service at the church @ 1:20.

The week will also include the Carols for Cancer performance on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December and their Christmas party.