

Autumn One in Year 5



English

In English this term our learning will be based around the novel 'Secrets of a Sun King.' The story links to our history topic of Ancient Egyptians. The genres we will study will include diary writing, poetry and narrative. The children will be learning the skills of how to write in the first person. The features of poems will include verses, lines and rhythm and rhyme. We will use our understanding of Ancient Egypt to write a historical narrative.

We are reading...



Our reading this term will mainly focus on 'Secrets of the Sun King' by Emma Carroll. However we will also be reading a variety of non-fiction texts which will be linked to our Ancient Egyptian History learning. Through our guided reading sessions we will be developing our comprehension skills, summarising and note-taking.

Maths

In maths we will start the year by building on our Year 4 knowledge of place value, extending in to larger numbers – all the way up to 1 million! We will then develop our calculation strategies looking at all four operations: addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.

Science

We will be exploring the life cycles of living things to determine how they reproduce for example, seeds and flowering plants and eggs into chickens. We will also make comparisons between different life cycles of animals and mammals. We will learn how a habitat changes over the course of a year and we will continue to make regular observations to create a yearlong investigation of our school grounds.

Art

Our art this term will be using clay to make Canopic jars. The children will be using the coil pot technique to create their pot and then choosing an Egyptian God to represent on the lid.

We will also be learning about the Egyptian artist Alaa Awad. We will learn about his life and what inspires him to create his artwork. We will then recreate some art in the same style.



French

The children will be building on their previous French lessons about number by learning how to say and write the date, including days, dates and months. They will then move on to learning the different vocabulary related to a variety of wildlife and animals.

History

We are learning about Ancient Egypt this term. The children will be finding out about all the gruesome facts linked to mummifications but also how the Egyptians lived and worked. We will be linking the learning to the theme of Power and exploring the hierarchy that the Egyptians had in their society. They will be investigating the religious beliefs and researching all the different Egyptian Gods and why they played such a significant role in everyday life.

Music

This term we are very lucky that we have Hampshire Music Service providing our Music lessons in Year 5. The children will be learning how to create music using technology.

RE

We are learning about the Jewish festival of Hanukkah, including the story behind it and how it relates to our lives and feelings of belonging.

PSHE

Me and my relationships is the theme of our PSHE learning this term. We will be looking at the term collaboration and how to work collaboratively. We will also be discussing what makes a good friend and how to be assertive within our relationships.

Computing

In computing this term the children will discover how information is found on the World Wide Web, through learning how search engines work (including how they select and rank results) and what influences searching, and through comparing different search engines. They will consider different types of systems and explain the input, output, and processes of a variety of different real-world systems.

PE

For our indoor PE sessions this term the children will be creating a dance based on our Egyptian learning in history.

The outdoor PE will be basketball. The children will learn a variety of skills including moving while bouncing the ball, intercepting the ball and how to shoot.